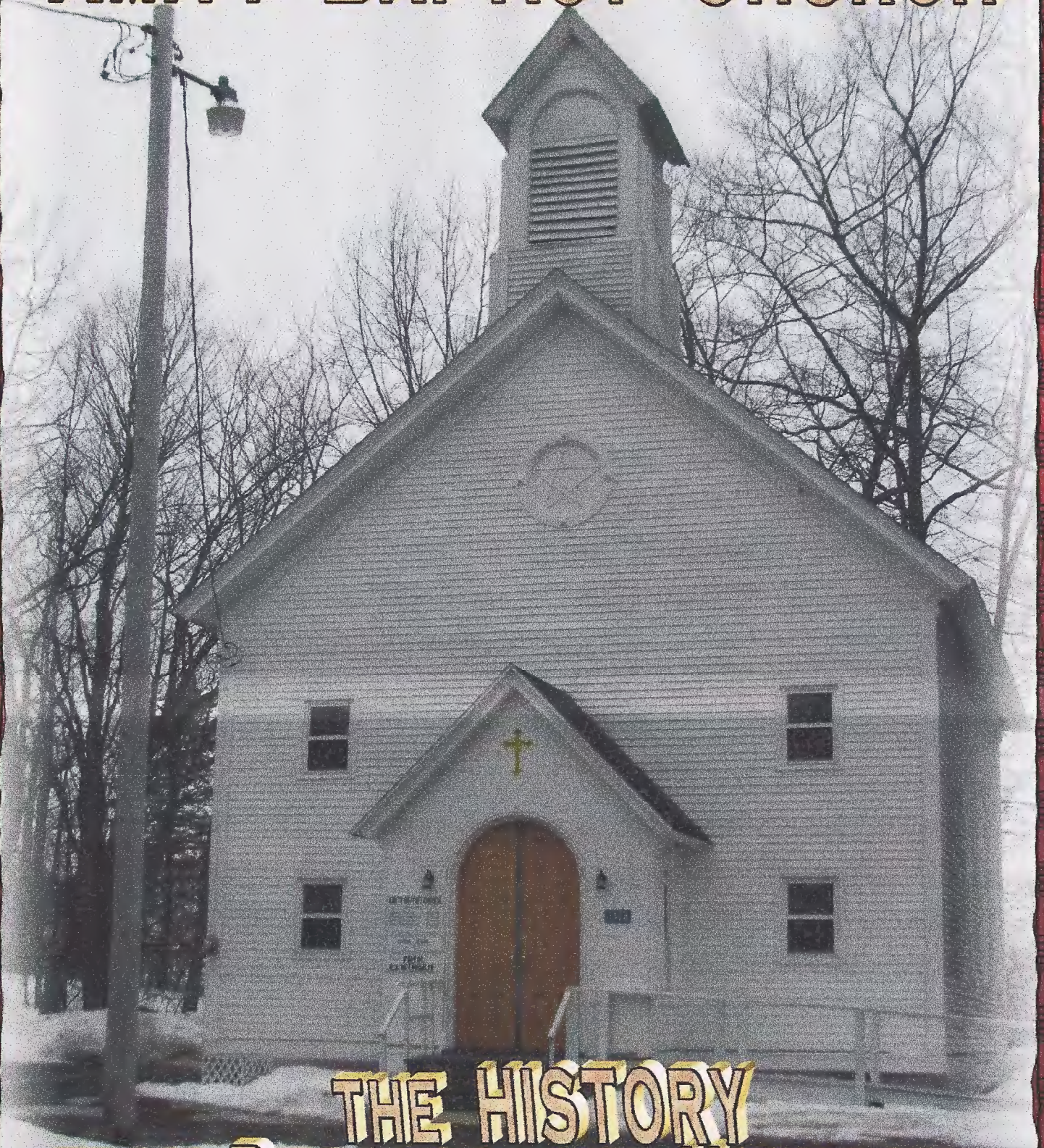


AMITY BAPTIST CHURCH



THE HISTORY
FROM RECORDS AND MEMORIES

Come and sit with me a spell
so we can talk about the One
who has given all He had
so we might have
knowledge and courage
love and faith
peace and purpose
as we live out
joyfilled lives.
with and for Him
in this place called Amity
Where He has set aside
a seat for us to share
in His mercy and grace

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excerpts from "**Records of the Amity Baptist Church - Organized 1863**"
by Hannah M. Tracy, Church Clerk, et al: April 14, 1907
and "**Amity Baptist Church**" - a history through memories of residents
and available reports of **Business Meetings and Annual Reports of Amity Baptist Church**

Back Then...

It is doubtful that the people living in Amity from 1880 to 1910 were aware that they were enjoying its heyday, a halcyon interlude between wars when the town along with the nation was growing and prospering. In 1880 population reached its peak of four hundred and thirty-two (432) from then on to decline for the next eighty years. The farms and orchards wrested from the forest with such arduous toil by the first pioneers were in full fruition. To get the produce fourteen miles north to the market at Houlton or twenty five miles south to Danforth meant a long day with slow horse and buggy teams, but it was accepted part of their labor.

The first dwelling, hastily built had given place to comfortable homes with worthy architectural features suitable to the terrain and manner of living. A few remain to adorn the country side but most are marked only by cellar stones and a lilac or rose bush in the now overgrown yard.

The Baptist Church, which through the years has remained the only church in the town, was a monument to effort and sacrifices of the early settlers. They were organized as a congregation in 1835 but it was not until 1863 that the church building was dedicated. The church and schools were not only religious and educational centers of the town, but social and cultural as well. It happened in Amity, as in most New England towns, that the first settlers barely got a roof over their heads when they started both churches and schools.

Early Settlers

***Jonathan Clifford** in 1825 seems to have been the very first one who came and cleared a lot on what was later the James Lycette place. The next year **Edmund Cone** and **Seth Farrar** started their clearings and in the year of 1826, **Jonas Dunn**, a Quaker, came from Cornish, Maine to Houlton and bought from the State of Maine four hundred acres of land in No. 10, now Amity, which was reached from Houlton by a lumber road passable by teams only in the winter.*

*In 1827 his son, **Columbus Dunn**, built himself a house and started clearing the east side of the rough trail. Father and son were men of affairs, leaders, builders, planners and full of boundless energy. Jonas was a member of the Massachusetts General Court and of the Maine Legislature after 1820. On his arrival in Houlton he saw the plight of the residents persecuted by the British garrisons in New Brunswick, Canada, and he immediately petitioned Congress and obtained for them to have a military post on Garrison Hill in Houlton which afforded protection during the Boundary dispute with England and was an economic boost to all surrounding towns for twenty years; the soldiers were a market for produce, wood, and labor.*

*Through Jonas' efforts the Military Road was built from Lincoln to Houlton opening another avenue of trade to Aroostook County. He and Columbus worked on this road construction and also on the Calais road to make another outlet from Houlton south over which, in later years, droves of cattle and flocks of sheep were herded from Aroostook farms to Calais. Columbus filled town offices and was postmaster for eighteen years. In 1830 he married **Rebecca Snow**, daughter of Joseph Snow of Winn who was a pioneer of that river town, and whose home the Dunn's stopped at on their way to Aroostook from Bangor. As soon as she arrived in her Amity home, Rebecca opened a school in her kitchen. While her own children were babies she taught, holding a book in one hand and rocking the cradle with the other. Later a building on the north corner of the Calais and Mill roads housed the school until it was moved to the east side of the Calais road neary opposite the Reed house (marked on an 1877 map as the Reed school house.).*

Amity Baptist Church - the beginning

Columbus was a very active religious worker; and when the Calvinist Baptist Church of Hodgdon, (the first Baptist Church in Aroostook County) was organized on January 15, 1835 in the Jones or 'yellow school house' in that town, he was there with other Baptists from Amity. A month later on February 25, 1835, seventeen people met in Columbus

Dunn's house and organized their own 'branch' church. Columbus was deacon and **Rev. Elisha Bedell** was the minister. This became the beginnings of the Baptist church that exists in Amity today. They met in homes or in the school house; and in 1841 the Church edifice was started.

The **Revs. Daniel Outhouse, Royal Spaulding, and Leonard Mayo** were pastors during the building years. **Rev. E.B. Harrington** was a planner and did most of the woodwork; **Mr. Haney** did the plastering; and **Sandy Reed** cut the granite foundation on his homestead in Cary. To these men and other unknown architects and builders, great credit is due.

The Earliest Pastors of Amity Baptist Church

1835-1837: Rev. Elisha Bedell: Seventeen members were received into the Amity Baptist Church on February 25, 1835 at the home of Columbus Dunn. This home was south of the cemetery (later know as the Haskell or Libby home.). **Columbus Dunn** was chosen deacon and **James Curtis** treasurer. In August of that year the church united with the Washington County Association as Aroostook did not become a county until 1839. Rev. Bedell was the delegate and gave a report of the new church. It may be of interest to the present generation that the headstones of Columbus and his wife Rebecca Snow Dunn fittingly are in the first row in the cemetery facing the church.

1839: Rev. Thomas Murray:

1841-1842: Rev. Daniel Outhouse: Rev. Outhouse came from New Brunswick, Canada to Hodgdon at the age of twenty and was ordained March 4, 1841. He served one year as a settled pastor and then began his career as an itinerant preacher in the region; a career that lasted forty-five years. He was instrumental in the construction of the church edifice.

1854-1860: Rev. Royal C. Spaulding and his devoted wife and family arrived as pioneers in Houlton on Feb 1, 1845 from a settled pastorate in East Corinth, Maine to become missionaries for the Baptist cause. He loved books and distributed religious and inspiring reading in the homes he visited. He aided greatly to the building of the church.

In March 1863 a church was organized in No 11 (New Cary) called the **Amity and No 11 Baptist Church** consisting of fourteen members residing in Amity and No 11 who were dismissed from the Washington Church for the purpose of forming a seperate organization.

Rev. R. C. Spaulding was its first pastor and **Moses P. Libby** of No 11 its first deacon. During the pastorate of Mr. Spaulding, who with his excellent wife labored faithfully in the cause of Christ, the church enjoyed a good degree of prosperity. A meeting house was commenced before he was compelled by failing health to resign his office a pastor. For the erection of the church, both Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding labored most-earnestly.

In June 1868 Deacon Moses T. Libby was taken away by death. His death was a severe blow as he had been a most-faithful member of the church and he was greatly mourned.

Columbus Dunn of Amity was chosen as the next deacon.

1860-1870: Rev. Leonard Mayo came from Camden, Maine to Aroostook County, and then to Hodgdon in December 1860 and had a long and useful ministry among the towns, helping greatly in the completion of the Amity Church. Rev. Mayo was a man greatly respected and loved by the church and the community

1870-1874: Rev. C.J. Porter

1875: Rev. J.E. Blakney

1876: Rev. E.H. Harrington: He served for a time as Pastor. He was a man of God and earnest in the work of winning souls to the church. (Possibly E.B. Harrington ?)

1877-1885: Rev. W.E. Noyes

Rev. H.E. Thayer

1885-1887: Rev. Dutton

Rev. Deering

1887-1891: Rev. E.K. Drew: He was a Civil War Veteran.

1892-1893: Rev. S.E. Packard

1894-1896: Rev. E.L. Nurse

1897-1903: Rev. L. E. Carter

Rev. Atherton
Rev. Barton
Rev. Wellman
 1904-1906: **Rev. Bishop**
 1906-1909: **Rev. Joseph Cahill**
 1909: **Rev. Thomas MacDonald**
 1909-1910: **Rev. M.G. Tupper**
 1910-1911: **Rev. Herman Betts**

another look at Pastors serving Amity Baptist Church
 (from Clerk's records)

After the division of the churches, as neither church was able to sustain preaching services alone, one pastor has served both churches in connection with Hodgdon.

Rev. E.H. Harrington served for a time as pastor. After Rev. Harrington resigned the church was without slated preaching until May 1881 when **Rev. L. Mayo** began preaching two thirds of the time and continued his labors until May 1884. He preached the word with faithfulness receiving but little pecuniary reward for his labor.

After Rev. Mayo closed his labors and was followed by **Prof. Knowlton** of Houlton preached every other Sabbath morning for a short period of time. From that time the church was without slated preaching until June 1886 when **Herbert Thayer** of Newton Theological Seminary spent his vacation of three months with this church in connection with Cary and Hodgdon. The people became much attached to Mr. Thayer and regretted that he could not remain longer.

The following summer (1887) **John L. Dearing**, the new president of a Baptist College in Japan, spent his vacation with us. Mr. Dearing was a most faithful and earnest speaker, an excellent preacher, and earned the respect and love of all who became acquainted with him.

Immediately following Mr. Dearing's departure, **Rev. G.H. Hinckley**, State Evangelist, spent four weeks preaching at Amity and Cary Baptist Churches. A blessed revival was the result. Mr. Hinckley's labors greatly blessed the church, especially in the deep interest aroused in the study of God's word. Under his teaching, the Bible became a new book to many.

In October 1887 the church in connection with Hodgdon and Cary extended a call to **Rev. E.K. Drew** of Hampden to become its pastor. He accepted the call and began his labors in November (1887), preaching with this church one fourth of the time. He remained as pastor for four years. He was much loved by the church and community and his resignation on account of ill health was much regretted. During his stay a good deal of prosperity was enjoyed. Mr. Drew resigned the pastoral care of the church in April of 1891.

In October 1891, **Rev. S.E. Packard** of Rockport accepted a call to the pastorate of the three churches. He remained with us one year. He was an excellent preacher. His sermons being ___ and interesting.

In January 1894 **Rev. C. E. Young**, State Missionary, came to labor with us and was with us part of the time for several months. He was a faithful judicious preacher and counselor and his services were greatly enjoyed.

After Mr. Young left us, **Mr. C. E. Bartlett**, a graduate of Newton, came as a candidate to the three churches. He remained about two months and then as the churches did not all agree on giving him a call he left. He was a young man of promise and made many friends during his stay.

That same summer two young men, **Edwin Nurse** and **George Sutherland**, from ___ A.J. Godins school in Boston came to labor with the churches in Amity and Cary as evangelists. After their labors as evangelists were closed, Mr. Nurse remained as pastor until 1896.

In July 1897, the church in connection with Cary and Hodgdon extended a call to **Rev. L. E. Carter** of Washburn to become our pastor. He accepted the call and remained with us for six years. He was a very faithful pastor.

In July 1904, **Rev. U.U. Bishop** of Paris, Maine accepted a call to become pastor of the three churches. He remained with us until February 1906 when he resigned on account of ill health. Mr. Bishop was a man loved by all who became acquainted with him. He was deeply interested in the welfare of the churches and labored most faithfully.

In March 1906, the three churches voted to extend a call to **Rev. Joseph Cahill** of New Brunswick, Canada to become our pastor. He accepted and began his labors in April. He is a very excellent preacher and we are hoping that a great blessing may rest upon his labors. He preached his last sermon on April 25, 1909 after being pastor for three years. He was well liked by church and people young and old.

(Hannah Tracy, Church Clerk - 14 April 1907)

In September 1909, **Rev. Miles G. Tupper** came to serve as our pastor. We liked him and hope he may be a blessing to church and people. He served as pastor until November 1, 1910.

From that time until July 1, 1911 we had few preaching services. **Rev. I.B. Mower, Rev. Mr. Wheeler,** and **Missionary Wilson** gave us an occasional sermon.

July 1, 1912 the **Rev. Mr. Lorimer** was called to the field of Amity, Cary and Hodgdon. He seems to be an earnest and faithful man as we look back over his pastorate as a church and people we can say he was a laborer worthy of his hire. He remained two years and was faithful to his calling on every one. In the two years there were revivals in the different churches. **Rev Mr. Dolbec** and **Rev. Mr. Wilson** assisted our pastor in the services. There were ten baptised in Amity and two joined the church. If any trouble of sorrow came to any of his parishioners he was ever ready to help and comfort, not only with a kind word but if needed with financial help from himself or solicited from others. Mrs. Lorimer wa a great help and made many fast friends while on the field.

(Mrs. D. M. Libby, Clerk)

On August 4, 1913, the **Rev. George Kincaid** of Green commenced his pastorate with this group of churches, Hodgdon, Cary and Amity. He was a very earnest and eliquent preacher. We enjoyed hearing him very much when we had the priviledge. He introduced the "mite-boxes" into our church. We raised our apportionment quite easily through this means. Mrs. Kincaid was a sweet little woman, liked by all who knew her. They remained with us for one year and went from here to Hartland, New Brunswick, Canada.

(Mrs. D.M. Libby, Clerk)

September 27, 1914, the church met to consider calling Rev. Mac Clukey to the field. After about three weeks deliberation we received word that he could not come.

November 15, 1914, **Rev. Thomas McDonald** came to supply for a year and we were to have service every two weeks on Sunday afternoon, and a Sunday evening service once a month. He was with us until November 1916, a faithful and earnest preacher of the gospel and always at his place off appointment. We did not have the pleasure of getting to know Mrs. McDonald. She is somewhat of an invalid and being so did not attend the church with him. (The people of Cary and Amity churches solicited \$85.00 and bought a coon-skin coat for Rev. McDonald.).

In the spring of 1915 the Hodgdon Baptist and Free Baptist Churches joined forces and hired the **Rev. Mr. Sabean** to preach to them. From that time we have had preaching every Sunday afternoon.

In March 1917 **Evangelists J.L. Wilson** of Houlton and **C.P. Wilson** of Nova Scotia, Canada held two weeks of special meetings. There was no special interest in these services.

During the rest of the spring we had **Bro. J.C. Worden** of R.C.I. (Ricker Classical Institute in Houlton) supply for us. He was so well liked that we made arrangements to have him remain with us for a year. The attendance has been very much better since his coming. He is an earnest young man of talent and ability. Through the summer vacation he boarded two or three weeks in a place in Amity and Cary. When school commenced he went back to Houlton through the winter months. We have had but very few services every Sunday as the roads were blocked full and Mr. Worden was operated on for appendicitus and was in the Aroostook Hospital for two weeks. We are hoping for better things in the spring.

After Mr. Worden resigned, **Evangelist Bubar** came. A great work was done in Cary by Mr. Bubar. Later he came to Amity in the fall of 1918. He had a crowded house and a great interest, but the influenza broke out in most of the outlaying towns, especially Danforth where Evangelist Bubar lived. All public meetings were closed.

Rev. Mr. Jenkins preached every Sunday afternoon in Cary and quite a number of our people attended.

Early in July 1919, **State Missionary Clarke** came for a few days, canvased the town, held two services, and put

us in touch with a young student, Mr. Charley Mitchell, who was hired to come here for one service and one service in South Amity each Sabbath. He is a returned soldier. We like his appearance very much. He left Colby (College) to go to France. **Mr Charley Mitchell** will preach through his vacation commencing July 20, 1919. Mr. Mitchell remained with us as pastor until the beginning of the school year in September 1919 when he went to Colby to continue his studies. He is a young man of much ability and well liked by everyone.

In June 1920 **Mr. MacKennon** commenced to preach two Sundays here and one in South Amity. The winter was so broken up and it stormed almost every Sunday. The pastor had to drive about eight miles so we missed many Sundays. Mr. MacKennon and his wife were well liked.

The church extended a call to **Rev. W. H. Johnson** of Linneus to be our pastor for the summer months and he commenced his services with the church in June 1921. He preached seventeen Sundays until weather conditions prevented him from coming any longer. He was well liked by all and his sermons were strong helpful and encouraging.

During the winter months of 1921 and 1922 we joined with the Tracy district, so called, and had a Sunday school in the school house which was well attended.

May 8, 1922, by special invitation **Rev. Benjamin A. Beatty**, State evangelist, came on the field and conducted a three weeks campaign and God was pleased to pour out his spirit in our midst and a good number were led to accept Christ as their Saviour, and many more are on the verge of surrendering their lives to the Master. During his stay Rev. Beatty endeared himself to all and will always be a welcome visitor.

May 28, 1922, **Brother C.D. Nutter** of Hodgdon was asked to lead services for the summer. He preached his first sermon on June 4, 1922. On account of the severity of the winter, Rev. C. D. Nutter was unable to visit us after Christmas, but a Sunday School was held most of the time in different homes in the community. May 6, 1923, we were visited by our pastor C.D. Nutter accompanied by **Pastor Evangelist Benjamin Beatty**. The later preached one of his powerful gospel sermons from Rom. 1-16. Rev Nutter presented his resignation after a short period of his second year. Pastor Nutter was well liked by all and rendered good service on the field.

August 29, 1923, **Rev. Frank W. Seabeen** of Wytotpitlock was called by the sister churches to become our pastor. The first year of service has not been marked by any special ingathering, but we trust good seed was sown that will field a harvest later. Rev. Seabeen entered his second year of service to the church. January 1, 1926: Owing to conditions of roads and a scattered community, Rev. F.W. Seabeen decided to resign as pastor of this church after two years of faithful service.

After the resignation of Pastor Seabeen the church was without preaching until Aug 10, 1926 when the united churches called a young man, **Lewis A Jones** to become our pastor. Brother Jones worked hard and faithfully to win the young people's affection and interest in religious work, especially in Sunday school. During the summer two young men from Massachusetts came to spend their vacation in Maine assisting the pastor in special evangelical work. Brother Jones secured them for some little time and some good services were held and good seed was sown we believe. They were good musicians and both had musical intruments which they played and which was enjoyed by all and helped wonderfully in the services. Their names were Norman Eddy and Randolph Philbrook. At a business meeting in August 1927, Deacon Lycette was chosen to sit in counsel to consider ordaining Brother Jones to the Gospel Ministry. Owing to the impossibility of Brother Jones getting conveyance to and from Hodgdon, we have been without services all winter. April 1 1928, Pastor Jones returned to this part of the field and we enjoyed a good service. July 22, 1928, Rev Lewis Jones preached his farewell sermon making almost two years of services with three churches.

April 14, 1929: The Pulpit Committe met with Hodgdon and Cary committes and unanimously voted to give **Rev. E.C. Jenkins** of Vinal Haven, Maine a call to become the pastor of this union of churches for the ensuing year. The salary to be divided as follows: Hodgdon \$700.00, Cary \$250.00, Amity \$250.00 and the expenses of moving; Hodgdon half, Cary a quarter, and Amity a quarter.

April 28 1929: **Rev. E.C. Jenkins** preached his first sermon to the Amity Church. His sermons were very helpful and he was invited to preach for a second year. Rev. Jenkins did faithful service in and out of the pulpit and members prayed for the closing of a weekly dance being held near the church. On October 20, 1931 **Rev. B.C.Bubar** came up from holding revival service in Hodgdon and Cary and he and our pastor worked faithfully for revival until Nov 8, 1931.

Brother Jenkins continued to carry on the work with some expecially good prayer and praise services besides the regular Sunday service. February 7, 1931 Rev. Jenkins was invited to serve a fourth year as pastor. February 9 and 11, 1931 saw meetings to discuss the pastor's salary and came to the following agreement with the pastor. "If this coming pastoral year was an average prosperous year the churches would meet the full obligation as they had formally done (\$1000 and wood), but if the year was another of low prices and depression, the pastor agreed to meet the churches conditions and not demand full payment." August 12, 1932, it was voted to ask Pastor Jenkins to resign from this church because of the unchristian reproach Mrs. Jenkins put on the church because a few faithful ones were unable to meet expenses as they came due.

April 30 1933: No services, except Sunday school, had been held since August 7, 1932. (**Basel Johnes ?**) a young man from Houlton came three Sundays in succession and it did us all good.

May 21, 1932: (**Rev. P.J. Quigg ?**) of Levant held a service with us which was much appreciated.

July 1, 1933: **Mr. Merle Mitchell** and his new wife from Newton Mass came and continued services until September 10 when they were obliged to return to their studies in Newton. Their stay was very helpful to the three churches for they were indeed consencrated to the work and liked by most everybody. They were invited to return the next June to become our stated pastor.

September 24, 1933: **Rev. Herman Grant** of Houlton (Methodist) commenced working with us and continued his services until December 17, 1933 when he was obliged to resign on account of poor health. It has been a long time since this people has enjoyed such wonderful, clear sermons which was a wonderful uplift to those who were privileged to hear him. He was liked by all very much.

January 3, 1934: **Mr. Carter**, a young man attending Ricker Classical Institute, came for his first service and continued faithful service until the following July when the churches hired him as their pastor. As there was such a good will and friendliness between pastor and people he was hired for a second year, however he received an urgent call from his home church in Turo, Nova Scotia, Canada and he felt it was God's call. Sunday, November 10, 1935, he presented his resignation and preached his farewell sermon the following Sunday. It has been a long time in the history of this Church since we had a pastor so dearly beloved and respected by the old and young. He had a wonderful way of getting the younger people around him and interested in the work of the church, especially for mid-week meetings. He painted the church while he was here and would not take a cent for his labors and other kind acts to numerous to mention. He was a faithful and non-tiring worker and preached the Bible. Good seed was sown and will surely bring forth fruit in God's own time. Communion was served several times and one candidate was baptised and received into the church.

November 24, 1935: **Rev. Mr. Beyea** of Enfield came and preached a Thanksgiving sermon being solicitous of becoming pastor of this group of churches. He was much liked and this church voted to give him a call to become our pastor if Hodgdon and Cary churches did the same.

December 22, 1935: **Mr. Sloat** of Mars Hill, one of the Gospel Fishermen, held a service in the afternoon which was appreciated.

December 29, 1935: **Rev. G.F. Bolster**, District Secretary, visited us and gave one of his masterful sermons which was enjoyed by all.

January 5, 1936: **Rev. Mr. Beyea** came on the field and preached a helpful sermon on what our attitude toward the new year should be. Having one year with Rev. Beyea, we have much to be thankful for. There have been no conversions that we can point to but the general condition of the church has been greatly improved. The pastor's sermons have induced a great many more to come out Sundays than we have had for a long time. The first of November the church voted to have **Rev. Banks R. Robinson** and his wife, evangelists, to come in the field and assist the pastor in a three weeks campaign, but owing to the conditions of the weather and unknown reasons, the services were unfruitful as far as conversions was concerned; but those conditions did not daunt the pastor. He tried to keep up our courage to look forward to better times ahead. November 7, 1937, Pastor Beyea tendered his resignation to take effect the last Sunday in November. Brother Beyea's second year with this church has not been fruitful for conversions, but he has been able to keep up the services with the same goodly number present every Sunday. He has been a very

jovial and friendly man, gaining many friends while here with us. Mrs. Beyea was beloved by all. While here the churches on this field made the family a present of a beautiful set of dishes and cash, and again at the farewell service in Mayo Hall, Mr. Beyea was presented with a gold wrist watch and Mrs. Beyea with a hand bag.

December 5, 1937: **Rev. Roy Clark** was here as a candidate and preached an acceptable sermon. **Mr. M.S. Lincoln** of Monmouth, Maine came and preached in the field as a candidate and the churches voted to give him a call to become our pastor. He was unable to come until the first of March, but during the interval, **Rev. Lee Good** of Monticello came and supplied in a very acceptable manner. **Rev. Fred Foster**, the Farmer Evangelist, came after Mr. Beyea left us and held 19 services. Nothing special was accomplished although he preached some very stirring messages.

March 13, 1938: **Brother M.S. Lincoln** of Monmouth came on the field as our pastor. Brother Lincoln and his wife have been very active during this first year of service. Brother Lincoln's second year saw the work steadily moving forward in all departments.

February 21, 1940: **Rev. H.B. Whitlock**, the Gospel Ranger, came on the field and held a service every night for over two weeks and a good work was accomplished especially with the children. He and Mrs. Whitlock came back the last evening of April and held one service with us. The Ladies Aid presented them with a beautiful quilt which was much appreciated. Brother Whitlock and wife will always be welcome visitors.

March 13, 1940: The churches of our union extended another call for **Brother Lincoln** to remain for another year as work had moved along steadily.

(J.A. Lycette, clerk)

a record of Membership at Amity Baptist Church

----- no date given for membership-----

Keziah Tracy - died July 1, 1925	HW Tracy - died July 20, 1918
JM Tracy - died Dec 28, 1925	Mrs John Reed - died Feb 28, 1929
WH Smith - died	Eunice Smith - died
Q A Lycette - died	Isabell Lycette
Howard Lycette	HJ Reed
Nellie Reed	Mrs Ree Pullin - died
Bessie C__ffend	DM Libby - died Mar 30, 1932
Minetta Libby - died Apr 7 1922	Ethel Tracy
Elmer Farrar - died	Mrs Elmer Farrar - died
Van Farrar - died	Rolland Farrar - died
CF Farrar - died	Mrs CF Farrar - died Aug 1926
Mrs Pricilla Daggett - died Aug 10, 1928	Redford Hall - died Mar 1927
Mrs Georgie Hall - died Feb 9, 1921	John Estabrook - died
Mrs John Estabrook - died Dec 28, 1920	May Estabrook - died July 2, 1926
David Simpson - died	Mrs David Simpson - died May 5, 1925
John Simpson - died Sep 18, 1932	Miles Mores
Mrs Miles Mores	Collie Tracy - killed in action in France

-----no date given for membership-----

Alex Smith - non-resident	Mrs Alex Smith - non-resident - died
Mrs J Hughes - non-resident - died 1931	Llewelyn Hughes - non-resident - Jan 25, 1928
Horace Hughes - non resident - died	Nan Hughes Atkinson - non-resident
Walter Nickerson - non-resident - died Jan 7, 1923	Willfred Hardy - non-resident - died
Jane Tracy - died Aug 28, 1926	Leslie Estabrook
William Boles - died in accident	Leverett Estabrook - died 1939
Mary Estabrook - died Dec 31, 1924	Mrs Elizabeth Knapp - died 1921
Mrs Annie Tracy - dismissed by letter Jul 3, 1921	Albert J Reed - received by letter Jul 3, 1921

-----resided in Linneus and joined the Linneus Baptist Church-----

Lincoln Hardy - Linneus - dismissed Jul 24, 1919	Silas Hardy - Linneus - dismissed Jul 24, 1919
Hugh Boles - Linneus - dismissed Jul 24, 1919	Jessie Boles - Linneus - dismissed Jul 24, 1919

---received in membership May 28, 1922---

Orrin Pullen	Grace Pullen	John Knapp - died Jul 7, 1924
Ida (Mrs John) Knapp	Llewellyn Knapp	Florence E Lycette
Anderson		
Fred T Williams - died	Mary E Williams - died Jul Oct 4, 1926	Mina Black - died 1939
Nellie Williams - dismissed Mar 22, 1925	Florence E Lycette Anderson	Mrs Bina Williams

Georgie Allen - reinstated Jul 28, 1922, Dismissed by letter Jul 28, 1922

William J Ryan - received by letter Aug 3, 1922

Myra E Lycette - received by letter Sep 1922

-----no date of membership given-----

Halsen Knapp	Eugene Knapp	Marion Knapp
Ruby Shields	Dawn Shields Knapp	Floyd Lycette
Wendell Lycette	Alta Black	Velire Black
Ellis Black - died	Orrie Black	Anna Cathleen -?-
Minnie Williams	Hazel Knapp Taylor Hughes	Mrs Martha Knapp
Virginia Dwyer		

-----Members as of April 1941-----

Residents:	Virginia Dwyer	Non-Residents: Mrs Hazel Knapp Taylor
	Mrs Martha Knapp	Mrs Orrie Black
	Mrs Velora Black	Wendell Lycette
	Alton Black	Mrs Ella Reed Young
	Floyd Lycette	Catherine Anderson
	Mrs Dawn Shields Knapp	Ethel Tracy
	Mrs Marion Knapp	
	Mrs Marion Boles	
	Mrs Marion M Libby	
	Geraldine Dwyer	
	Mary Dwyer	
	Mrs Myra E Lycette	
	Mrs Florence L Anderson	
	Mrs Grace Pullen	
	Orrin Pullen	
	Bessie Crawford - died 1945	
	Nellie Reed	
	Hubert Reed	
	Donald Lycette - died Oct 9, 1945	
	Isabell Lycette	
	Mary C Estabrook - died Feb 2, 1946	

Interesting Recollections

Until 1900, and even later, as the congregation assembled for worship, most men sat on the left facing the pulpit and the women on the right. The company was mixed in the center pews.

In 1887 Warren Daggett and Charles Dunn of Amity and Douglas Wilcox of Cary were a committee to raise funds for church expenses and gave the following report: "Them that helped last year think this year they can do as well, and them that didn't do anything thinks they can't do quite as much this year." (Should we vouch for this story?).

The first funeral service in the church in 1871 for Eliza Walton, widow of Milo Walton.

John Reed gave a carpet of green and tan figure.

The collection boxes were bags of garnet velvet on long handles. They were thick and deep enough to quiet the jingle of coins and make the amount of the offering invisible.

Samuel Tracy was an early deacon and choir leader who started the hymns with a tuning fork. Mr Tracy put a mortgage on his farm to raise one hundred dollars he had pledged for the completion of the church. He died suddenly and his widow, Jane Reed Tracy, by rearing turkeys and rigid economies, managed to pay the amount.

(C.F. Farrar, Deacon Libby, Deacon Lycette)

Rev. C.E. Young was one of the state missionaries whose shining Christian spirit blessed the homes and churches he visited from 1890 to 1910.

(Mrs. Charles Holden, 106 School St, Millinocket, Maine)

The Cemetery

The cemetery lot on the east of the Calais Road and the church lot on the west opposite were from the Dunn's land. The church was situated on a slight eminence in the northern part of the town where the Calais Road began to dip down the hills toward Cary.

The Church

The church was beautifully proportioned, painted white, with graceful lines in windows, door and tower found none equal in the region. The interior was not starkly bare. The pews, pulpit furniture, carpet, organ, and chandeliers for oil lamps all combined to supply an atmosphere conducive to worship. The windows were opaque glass of rose tint in diamond shape and banded with papered walls of indistinct floral figure.

On calm mornings the **church bell** could be heard for miles. The bell was given by the Dunn family.

The inscription on the front of the bell reads:

"Church organized 1850

Rev. R. C. Spaulding, Pastor

Columbus Dunn, Deacon

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

P. S. C. Us 1. (?)"

Inscription on the rear of the bell reads:

"Henry McShane & Co. Baltimore, Md.

Oct 1, 1884

Presented to the 1st Baptist Church of Amity

In memory of Deac. Columbus Dunn

By his children, in remembrance of

his consistent life - his quiet yet fervent

piety and his peaceful death."

A horse shed of eight open stalls sat behind the church, and protected from the weather the more or less patient beasts waited while their masters worshipped. Under sheltering trees on the south side of the lot was a long picnic table where those coming from a distance might eat their lunches to fortify themselves for the homeward walk or to await a second service.

It was also the hospitable custom of those living near the church to invite for Sunday meal those living on the side roads. In her time, **Octavia Reed** and others nearby extended this kindness to their neighbors.

Christian Endeavor

Through the years the Baptist congregation remained earnest, devout and zealous. When the Christian Endeavor movement spread, the Amity young people were exceedingly active as the programs of their society testify with names of all the families included.

It was a time for revivals. When **Rev George W. Hinckley** came to preach, most of the young folks, including the Reeds, united with the church. That peak of interest of the nineties (1890's) seems not to have been equaled since. The people enjoyed church attendance. They went to Sunday school, to preaching service, to Christian Endeavor meeting, to mid-week prayer meeting, to Covenant or Conference meeting on the first Saturday afternoon of the month. These people were not more saintly than other generations, but the church filled many of their needs, giving their lives meaning and an active moral judgment and conscience.

Quarterly Meetings

The great events of the year were the Quarterly Meetings. The churches were self-governing; but ten or more united in a district association and every three months each entertained the others in succession.

On a Friday afternoon, the guests would arrive and be assigned or invited to homes of the members. Many of these would be relatives or friends from the adjoining towns, but all were welcomed. Great preparations were made by the host church; cleaning at the church and at home, cooking, families moving to shed chamber beds to make room for the visitors, new dresses for the women. Meetings, with sermons, continued through Saturday and Sunday; and on Monday morning everyone went home after a religious experience for most and a grand visiting time for all.

The deep interest in the Quarterly Meetings is revealed in a letter written January 4, 1855 by **Mrs. R.C. Spaulding** to her daughter. (Her husband was Rev R.C. Spaulding who was pastor of the sister Baptist Churches of Hodgdon, Cary, and Amity.). Excerpts from the letter:

"Our Quarterly Meeting commenced Friday evening, and, after spending two days and evenings in session, our meetings were so interesting that we concluded to continue them evening for a while, so we have met every evening since, till this evening the Temperance folks occupy the house and we have a meeting appointed for tomorrow evening. The Church members are considerably revived in their mind, and we think there are some indications of a revival of religion. O, pray for us that it may be so!"

Mrs. Spaulding wrote again on April 8, 1862 of how the church people helped the pastor's family:

"We had a good meeting at Mr. Bray's yesterday, and the people all seemed kind. They brought in what they could, but it is a poor time with them this spring, and they were not able to do much, and we were not expecting them to. But one bought a bunch of stocking yarn, another a pair of stockings for me and one for Pa; another a piece of good home-made flannel to make me a skirt. Others brought some potatoes and oats, or buckwheat meal, meat, butter, etc. This afternoon Mr. Daniel Bray came with his double team and bought a good lot of beautiful straw to fill my beds. The things are such as we needed and will be a great help to us, so we are not lacking any good thing."

The Church Divides

From time to time members had been added until the church numbered about seventy members. In Sept 1877 a meeting was called to consider the propriety of dividing the church and forming a separate one in Cary. The matter was talked over and it was decided that the time had come when it would be best to have separate organizations. Accordingly a paper was drawn up and signed by the members living in Cary asking for their dismissal from the Amity Church for the purpose of forming a church in Cary. The brethren and sisters in Amity having taken action in the matter, the following letter was sent by the clerk in Amity...

"Amity, Oct 10th, 1877

To the brothers and sisters in Cary:

We, having been one church for a number of years, now believe that the time

has come when we must be seperated.

Dear brothers and sisters, we have struggled along together in times of darkness and we have also enjoyed many seasons of prosperity together.

And now that we are to be seperated into two churches we hope that we shall still labor for the prosperity of each other, and for the cause of Christ.

We hope that you will continue to pray for us, and we shall not forget you in our prayers.

That God may bless you in your efforts and many be added to your number is our prayer.

In behalf of the Church in Amity,
Alfred Tracy, Clerk"

Following are the names of the members who were dismissed:

Truman Williams	Reubin Willcox	<u>Duyald</u> Willcox (?)
Martha A Willcox	Jennie E Seamans	Nanetta E Libby
Weltha E Libby	Abbie T Seamans	Charles Scott
Abbie B Reed	Margaret Smith	James Seamans
Elizabeth A Estabrook	Sarah E Hamm	Daniel M Libby
Matilda C Libby	Nellie R Libby	Matilda Willcox
<u>Armanelta</u> Scott (?)	James Seamans	

On October 23rd, 1877 these persons were organized as the Baptist Church of Cary.

---Some Happenings in the Church---

June 1868: Deacon **Moses T. Libby** was taken away by death.

Columbus Dunn was chosen the next deacon.

July 12, 1908: **Mrs. D.M. Libby** chosen as clerk of Amity Baptist Church.

Sister Wessie J. Smith given a letter to join the Free Temple Baptist Church, Charleston, Maine.

September 28, 1908: Sent \$7.20 to the Maine Baptist Convention. Another \$1.50 was sent February 5, 1909

March 4, 1910: **Annual Meeting** with 18 members present.

Constitution and By Laws read for approval.

November 15, 1914: Our part of the salary for **Rev. McDonald** is \$150 for the year. Cary will also pay \$150. and Hodgdon will pay \$300.

June 1920: **Pastor Mac Kennon** was paid \$7.00 per sermon.

Jan 1921: **Sister Minette Libby** was relieved as Clerk due to ill health. Brother **Q.A. Lycette** was chosen clerk.

About May 13, 1922: Six names were presented and accepted for baptism. (**Mr & Mrs John Knapp, Grace Pullen, Llewellyn Knapp, Bina Williams, Florence E. Lycette**). The baptism took place at Cary Mill Stream. Sunday evening, May 28 the newly baptised and four others (**Fred Williams, Orrin Pullen, Mary E. Williams, Mina Black**) received the Right Hand of Fellowship.

During this time sisters **Minetta Libby** and **Eizabeth Knapp** were lost to death.

June 4, 1922: **Bine Williams** expressed desire to be baptised and be considered for church membership during the evening service. He was baptized the following Sunday with Rev. Mr. Nutter.

June 11, 1922: **Albert J Reed** was given a letter of dismissal to join the Hodgdon Baptist Church.

July 28, 1922: **Georgie Allen** was reinstated and given a letter of dismissal so he could join the Baptist Church in Stockholm, Maine.

August 3, 1922: **W.J. Ryan** of Cary Church was received as a member in Amity.

March 22, 1925: It was voted to grant a letter of dismissal to **Sister Nellie Williams** to join the Baptist Church in Dexter. It was also voted to apply to the Baptist Convention for aid to assist in paying the pastors salary.

July 1, 1925: The church has sustained a great loss in the death of **Sister Kesiah Tracy**. She was ever faithful to all the

Article I

Section 1. This body shall be called the First Baptist Church of Amity. It shall consist of all its members, who this faith in Christ Jesus are living in harmony with His Holy Word and with one another and who are willing to subscribe to the "articles of faith" and "covenant" generally held to by the Baptist and to abide by and conform to all the requirements as are prescribed by these By-laws.

Sec. 2. The annual meeting shall be held on the first Sunday in March at a house designated at some previous meeting.

Sec. 3. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Pastor, or Clerk or at the request of any member, provided this request be signed by seven members, and presented to the Clerk or Pastor — who must call a meeting — if otherwise disinclined — But no such signature is necessary if Pastor or Clerk is agreed.

Sec. 4. Seven members shall constitute a quorum in which as in all other special meetings, business shall be carried on as in all Legislative bodies.

Article II

Order of Business at Annual Meeting

1. - Election of Moderator.

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- 2 - Prayer
- 3 - Reading of the By-Laws by Clerk.
- 4 - Roll call.
- 5 - Reading of minutes of last meeting
- 6 - Report of Clerk
- 7 - " " Auditor Missionary Society
- 8 - " " Treasurer
- 9 - " " Pulpit committee
- 10 - " " Finance committee
- 11 - Election of officers.
- 12 - Unfinished business.
- 13 - New business.

Article III

Officers and their time of service.

- Sec 1. The pastor and deacons serve indefinitely and as long as there is mutual satisfaction.
- Sec 2 The Clerk, Auditor Treasurer, Financial committee and Pulpit committee or elected or re-elected annually.

Article IV

Pastor's duties.

- Sec 1 - It shall be the duty of the pastor to teach statedly to the church, to administer the ordinances of the Gospel; to act as moderator when present, at

all Business meetings of the Church, except the Annual meetings; and to perform the other various duties incumbent on his office

Sec 2. The relation between pastor and church may be dissolved at any time, by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any meeting or by the same decline in his financial support reported to the Pulpit committee by the Financial committee. If necessary there will be granted three months grace. The pastor may resign at any time by giving the church at least three weeks notice.

Article V Duties of the deacons

Sec 1. The church shall elect deacons by at least a three fourth majority of the members present at any regular or duly notified meeting.

Sec 2. It shall be the duty of the deacons to seek out such members of the church as need special care and encouragement or any in the community, and to advise with the pastor for their spiritual help; to prepare and distribute the elements of the Lords Supper to co-operate with and to assist the pastor in the performance of his duties, and to arrange for and assist in the Baptismal service.

Article VI

Duties of the Clerk

Sec 1. The clerk shall keep a fair record of all church

Business meetings; Sign all orders on the treasurer passed by the church, take charge of all the records of the church, keep a register of all the members of the church, and sign all certificates of dismission. Write all absent members who post office address is known inviting them to be present or report by letter at the Annual meeting, and make report of the change in membership and the number of resident and non-resident members, and the names of those from whom no report has been received.

Sec 2. The Clerk or some member appointed by the Clerk shall call all meetings to order, except those over which the pastor presides.

Article VII

Duties of the Treasurer

Sec 1. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all money (except that from other constituents of the church) pay all orders drawn on him by the Church, or Finance Committee. He shall keep a true and fair book of accounts, and annually at the regular business meeting of the church shall render a statement of receipts and disbursements which the auditor shall examine with the necessary vouchers.

Article VIII

Duties of the Financial Committee.

Sec 1. The Financial committee shall consist of three or more members working together. All vacancies are to be filled by the church.

Sec 2. It shall be the duty of this committee to superintend all church finances or its temporal interests; to incur all necessary expenses for church supplies and fixtures, and for the support of preaching, to institute means to procure necessary funds to meet all expenses, subject to the approval of the church if any member so desires. They shall each have a section of the field (agreed upon among themselves) to solicit and collect if necessary. They shall also render a report annually or oftener if desired.

Article IX

Duties of the Pulpit Committee.

Sec 1. The Pulpit committee shall consist of seven members including Church Clerk, deacons & pastor. The use of the Church buildings for extra religious meetings, or for other public gatherings shall be determined by this committee, subject however to the right of the applicant to appeal to the church.

Sec 2. It shall be thro' this committee that the church shall be represented, in calling a pastor or in advising with him in any way pertaining to his resignation, subject to the approval of the church.

Sec 3. Vacancies occurring thro' death, removals or resignation to be filled by the Church.

Sec 4. Three shall constitute a quorum.

Article IX

Sec 1. Auditor. The Auditor shall audit the accounts of the Financial Committee and Treasurer once a year and oftener if desired and to report at the Annual meeting.

Article X

Discipline

Sec 1. The ~~dismissal~~ ^{and} admission of members into or

of American Baptist Polity which standard is by Dr. C. T. Hickey.

Sec 2. If after the Clerk has written to and nothing has been heard from absent members for three years their names shall be dropped from the Church roll.

Sec 3. In all cases of personal difficulty between brethren the 18th Chapter of Matt. 18-17 shall be the guide.

Article XI

Sec 1. Any of these By-laws may be amended or suspended at any Church meeting by a vote of two thirds of the members present.

church interests and was a devout follower of her Master, full of charity and good deeds, and beloved by all.

June 1926: The church and Sunday school entertained the Maine and New Brunswick Sunday school rally. It was a great success.

August 10, 1928: The church has sustained a great loss in the death of Sister **Priscilla Daggett** who has been a member of the church for over half a century; always so faithful and true.

February 28, 1929: The church has again been called upon to part with one of her faithful and loyal members in the death of Sister **Octavia Reed**, who has been a member loyal and true for over half a century.

March 1, 1929: **Bina Williams** was given a letter of dismissal to join the Baptist Church at Dexter.

Summer 1931: A prayer meeting was held once a week in the church by six members (the object was to pray for a revival in our town and church and that God would remove a dance that was being held once a week not far from the church.

Summer and Fall 1931: A great work was accomplished as some cold and indifferent christians were reclaimed and scores of new ones brought to know Jesus as their savior. Twenty new members united with the church.

March 10, 1932: The Church met with a great loss in the death of our beloved Brother Deacon **Daniel M. Libby**. Brother Libby came to this church about 37 years ago and was appointed one of her deacons shortly after. His interest in her welfare has been of the highest type, always interested in the financial affairs and a man that always bore his share and more of the expenses and burdens. He was a faithful witness to his Savior and we deeply mourn his loss.

September 18, 1932: A letter of dismissal was given to **June M. Simpson** to join the Baptist Church of Exeter, Maine.

1936-1937: The interior of the church has been repainted and the pews varnished at the cost of \$93.55.
The Sunday School has been running the full year with Mrs Myra Lycette at the wheel.

March 28 1937: The church voted to give **Clara and Dorothy Knapp** their dismissal to join the Military Street Baptist Church.

June 3, 1937: **The South Aroostook Quarterly Association** met with this church and a gloriously good time we had together. There was a large delegation from the churches present along with a good number of the preachers who gave spiritual talks. The following resolution was passed:
"Passed at the 22nd Annual Convention of the South Aroostook Baptist Association at Amity, Maine, June 3, 1937:
 Resolved that only persons trained in Baptist Schools or in Schools whose courses are equal to the high standards recommended by the 'Board of Ordination and Ministerial Standing' be engaged as pastors of our churches. Such person in every case to be in full sympathy with Baptist beliefs and denominational enterprises."

March 13, 1938: Bible school has grown. A **Missionary Society** has been organized and is doing good work.

March 13, 1939: Two new Alladin lamps were installed.
Music racks were put on all the seats and new singing books in all the racks.

July 14, 1940: A beautiful baptismal service was held at Cary when two candidates from this church, **Mrs. Belle Knapp** and **Virginia Dywer**, were baptised.

The Year in Review: 1942

May 15: **Pastor M. Stetson Lincoln** called a meeting. Officers elected: **Myrna Lycette**, Treasurer; **Florence Anderson**, Clerk. No one was interested in serving as Deacon. It was decided to elect a board of Trustees. Those elected were **Howard Lycette**, **Grace Pullen**, and **Marion Boles**. It was decided to hold communion the first Sunday of each month. A collection was to be taken to build a fund for retired ministers. It was voted to hold the Annual Meeting on the Friday preceeding the last Sunday of April.

July 12: **Pastor Lincoln** told us he would be away for a month. He had received a scholarship to Cornell University in New York for a summer course for rural pastors.

July 19: **Principal Roy Hayes** of Ricker spoke today. He stressed that we must be willing to do our part in promoting

peace. He stressed that this terrible war is the result of sin.

July 26: Rev. Mr. Bolster of Brewer gave a message "The Potter and The Clay."

August 2: John Ruth, a young man who is studying for the ministry, gave a message based on John 11.

August 9: Mr. Morley Durost of Oakfield gave the Sunday message.

August 16: Rev. Lincoln returned to his duties after an inspiring session at Cornell.

August 23: Katheryn Anderson was given a letter of dismissal to join the First Baptist Church in Portland, Maine.

October 4: Rev. Lincoln announced his resignation effective November 1. He had accepted a post in Tennant's Harbor, Maine.

November 8: Rev. George Bolster occupied the pulpit and discussed prospect of supply for winter months.

November 22: Rev. Benjamin C Bubar Jr agreed to pastor the three churches for the winter months. David DeWitt and Howard Lycette assisted Rev. Bubar during communion services.

The Year in Review: 1943

April 4: Good success during the winter months. Though Mr. Bubar was in Augusta during the week, he only missed one Sunday. It was an exceptionally cold winter, but attendance was average and offerings were especially good considering the numbers attending. Rev. Benjamin Bubar Sr conducted the service today.

April 28: Rev. Bubar Sr held special services which created increased interest in the work, but no new converts.

December 23: The Christmas concert was held at the schoolhouse due to the cold weather. There was a goodly attendance and the children were very cooperative.

December 27: A gift of \$10.00 was received from Mrs. Eunice Smith of Corinth, Maine. She was a former resident of this town.

The Year in Review: 1944

April 9: We had an unusually good crowd today and were favored with special Easter music by the choir.

April 23: Mr. John McConnell and his wife were our guests today. Mr. McConnell has been a missionary in Brazil and told us something of the great need there. He also spoke of the receptiveness of the children especially. His wife favored us with a solo "Draw Me to Thy Bosom." They plan to return to Brazil soon.

May 26: At our regular prayer Meeting, a business meeting was held and it was suggested Brother Bubar interview Howard Lycette in regarding taking the position of deacon. It was also voted to retain the same officers for the coming year, namely: Florence Anderson, Clerk; Howard Lycette, Grace Pullen, and Marion Boles as Board of Trustees. We decided we would put forth a special effort to paint our church this summer.

May 28: Our pastor gave us a special Memorial Day message today stressing the point that we should hold in reverence the memory of our loved ones gone on before and prepare ourselves to join them. Special music was "The Old Rugged Cross" given by Marion Knapp and daughter Betty accompanied by Mrs Eva Putnam at the organ. At the close of the church service we were escorted to the cemetery by twelve children carrying American flags which they placed on the graves of soldiers. A prayer was offered by the pastor.

June 11: A memorial service for Jack Shields was held. The Houlton American Legion sponsored the service with the address by our pastor. An American Flag and Gold Star certificate were presented to the next of kin, Mrs Jennie Shields. Taps was sounded and a salute by the rifle squad.

June 18: The funeral service of Mrs Ida Tracy Nickerson was held at the church.

July 2: A resignation letter was read during the service. Rev. Bubar feels that he must give up the field and return to school.

July 20: The Hodgdon, Cary and Amity Sunday Schools held their picnic at Brackett Lake. A good crowd attended and enjoyed themselves. Mr. Sherman Wilcox very kindly let us use his cottage grounds and boats.

July 30: Brother Bubar preached his farewell sermon. He will continue his education at Colby College.

August 6: Mr. Giles from Mechanic Falls spoke to us. Everyone was favorably impressed with him and have decided to give him a call.

August 20: Mr. Storms very graciously came out from Houlton to give us a message on "Faith." He kindly offered to substitute for us until we find a pastor.

September 3: Mr. Storms was ill so Mr. Hayden was kind enough to bring us the message for the day.

September 6: We received a letter from Mr. Giles stating that after prayerful and careful consideration he decided not to accept our call.

October: Mr. Martin from Garland was here as a candidate. We decided that he would be a good man for the field, but difficulties concerning an automobile withheld his coming to minister to us.

November 12: Mr. Lincoln was up for a visit and spoke to us on Armistice Sunday. We were pleased to hear of his work in Boothbay.

November 19: Mr. Wry from New Brunswick came on trial. He was a very earnest preacher.

November 26: Mr. Boyle from Wytotitlock was here as a candidate from the field. The Amity Grange attended in a body as it being "Grange Go To Church Sunday."

December 10: Rev. Mr. Trites from Littleton very graciously supplied for Mr. Storms today. He told how 35 years ago he came near coming to this field but was sent to South West Harbor instead. He used the 35th Psalm as his text.

December 24: Mr. Storms came down the last time to fill the pulpit as a supply. We greatly appreciated his efforts at this time.

December 31: Mr. Leslie Chritie, who has jurisdiction over the churches in Southern Aroostook met with us today to get acquainted and also to bring us an inspiring message. He told us how pleased he was that we had chosen to give Mr. Herbert Boyles a call to the field. He recommended him very highly.

The Year in Review - 1945

January 7: We welcomed Mr. Boyles to the field today. He gave a fine sermon and told us that great things could be accomplished through cooperation. We are looking forward to a good time with his leadership.

January 14: We had no service in our church today, but joined with the people of Cary. A military presentation was made to Mrs. John Gildart after which we had a fifteen minute praise service and then the regular meeting.

June: Mr. Raymond Misler Jr. and Mr. Fred Kowalchuck, boys from the New England Fellowship, held a two weeks sessions of **Daily Vacation Bible School**. There was an enrollment of seventeen pupils. Great things were accomplished in these two weeks with the children and I am sure the children will always remember the things the boys taught them, and also the examples set by them. At the final service, which was a partial demonstration of what was done in the two weeks, a loose offering of \$52.00 was given to the boys.

September: Farmer Preacher Fred Foster was back with us for one service during the pastor's vacation. We were glad to welcome him, but felt that he had grown much more feeble than he was when he held services here.

September: Miss Moulton, a teacher from the New England Fellowship gave us an outline of what her work in the day school is. We are expecting her to work in our elementary schools this year giving one hour a month to the study of the Bible.

November 25: At an evening service in Court Street Baptist Church in Houlton, Mr. Hayden baptised the following people from Amity:

Shirley Dwyer	Leta Williams	Floris Williams	Elaine Estabrook
Verdell Hubbard			

Mr. Boyles gave an excellent message on "The Meaning of the Church." At this same service there was one convert each from the Cary and Hodgdon Churches baptized.

December 2: The **Right Hand of Fellowship** was extended to Shirley Dwyer, Leta Williams, Floris William, Elaine Estabrook, and Verdell Hubbard thus welcoming them to the Amity Baptist Church.

December 5: At the **Annual Business Meeting** of the members of the church, the following business was transacted:

Clerk's Report read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report read and accepted.

(Treas Report: 48 Sunday service; Total pastor's salary \$386.61 (average \$8.05); Bank \$25.00; Missions \$27.00; Sacrifice offering \$12.60.)

Pastor's Report read and accepted.

(45 sermons preached; 32 prayer services)

Trustees elected for the upkeep of the church.

(Mrs Myra Lycette, Mrs Marion Boles, Mrs Forest Dwyer)

Voted to not have deacons or deaconesses.

Pulpit Committee.

(Mrs Florence Anderson, Mrs Dawn Knapp, Mrs Floris Williams)

Organists:

(Mrs Kathryn Wakefield, Mrs David DeWitt, Mrs Lillian Dwyer)

Head Usher:

(Verdell Hubbard)

The matter of the pastor's salary was discussed and the following action was taken:

(1. Voted to pay pastor \$7.50 weekly. 2. Voted to give pastor 2 weeks vacation with pay, and also pay substitute at such time. 3. The remainder of the offering to be placed in the treasury)

There were 7 members present. Moderator: Pastor Herbert Boyles

/s/ Florence Anderson, Clerk

The Year in Review: 1946

August: We are pleased to have **Miss Jane Kauffman** from New Jersey and **Miss Beulah White** from New York were with us to conduct **Daily Vacation Bible School**. The children from Cary joined with us and were hauled by Mr. Boyles. There was a registration of nearly thirty. A Love Offering of \$52.00 that went to the girls. They did a fine work with the children and will be long remembered with affection.

September: We finished our study of Hebrews and are working on the Tabernacle as outlined in the Book of Exodus. Although there is not a large attendance at prayer meeting, God meets with us and blesses us.

October 27: Our pastor, **Herbert Boyles**, read his letter of resignation from the field effective January 8, 1947.

The Year in Review: 1947

January 9, 1947: Annual Meeting of the Amity Baptist Church was held. Florence Anderson served as moderator.

Reports of officers were read and accepted.

Officers elected for 1947 were:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Myra Lycette**

Trustees: **Myra Lycette, Marion Boles, Elaine Estabrook**

Pulpit Committee: **Florence Anderson, Dawn Knapp, Floris Williams**

Sunday School Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

Head Usher: **Verdell Hubbard**

Assistant Usher: **Melvin Anderson**

Voted to pay pastor \$7.50 per Sunday

Voted to pay supply pastor \$5.00 per Sunday

Voted to give \$50.00 from Church Treasury to Mr Boyles as farewell gift

/s/Florence Anderson, Clerk

January 12: Mr Herbert Boyles preached his farewell sermon. He was very faithful in his duties as a pastor and five were added to our membership during his pastorate. As a farewell gift, the church presented him

with \$50.00.

January 19: **Brother Neil Robertson** from Island Falls brought us a message. He is a layman who often supplies in the absence of a pastor.

January 26: We again welcomed Mr Robertson to our midst. He very definitely emphasized that there is only one way to enter heaven, namely "through the shed blood of Jesus Christ."

January 24: We had written to Sterling Helmer of Pittsfield but he was not interested in moving at this time.

February thru March: During our experience of being without a regular pastor, we have been very indebted to Mr. Christie for either coming himself and giving a message, or arranging for someone else to be here. We have not missed a service. Some who have graciously come are **Brother Neil Robertson** from Island Falls, **David Bubar** of Mars Hill, and **Benjamin C Bubar, Jr** of Mars Hill.

During the winter months a few prayer services were held. We were pleased to have **Miss Gladys Freeman** from the New England Fellowship with us each fortnight for prayer service. She is the young lady who teaches Bible in the elementary school.

April 13: **Rev. Paul Kierstead** of East Machias and his wife were here as a prospective pastor for the field. He was given a call and asked for two weeks to pray about it before making a decision.

April 30: Mr Paul Kierstead and his wife started their work in this field. They are both very earnest workers in the Lord and we are looking forward to a blessing through their leadership.

July: Mr Kierstead was one of the councilors at Christian Training School at Aroostook Valley Park, Presque Isle, but was able to be home on the field for Sunday services.

July 28: Our third year of **Daily Vacation Bible School** opened today under the direction of **Ralph Romine** of St. Petersburg, Florida, a student at Providence Bible Institute. This year there was an enrollment of 42 and an average attendance of 29. For the first time we had a senior class composed of the teenagers. The teachers were **Mr Romine**, Seniors; **Mr. Kierstead**, Intermediates; **Miss Romona Tidd** of Hodgdon, Juniors; and **Miss Elaine Estabrook**, Primary.

The school enjoyed a picnic at Deering Lake on August 7. The Love Offering which was taken at the closing program amounted to \$55.00. The children were much attached to Mr. Romine and expressed a desire to have him return next year.

The Year in Review: 1948

April 29: The **Annual Meeting** was held with the following present:

Grace Pullen, Myra Lycette, Marion Boles, Dawn Knapp, Floris Williams and Mr. Kierstead present.

Report of Treasurer:

(Bank \$327, Balance on hand \$34.30, Offerings \$424.92 for a total of \$459.22; Paid out to Mr Kierstead \$360.00, Pastor supplies \$31.00, Moving expenses \$33.65, Banking paper \$3.50, Christmas gift \$4.00, Repairs to parsonage \$10.00 for a total paid out of \$442.15: Balance on Hand 5/1/48 \$17.07. The May World Mission Crusade was \$53.00. December Sunday of Sacrifice was \$60.00)

Officers elected for 1948:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Myra Lycette**

Trustees: **Myra Lycette, Marion Boles, Elaine Estabrook**

Pulpit Committee: **Florence Anderson, Dawn Knapp, Floris Williams**

SS Superintendent: **Floris Williams**

Head Usher: **Verdell Hubbard**

Ast Usher: **Melvin Anderson.**

Dawn Knapp was appointed to see about wiring the church.

/s/Florence Anderson, Clerk

Summer: **Daily Vacation Bible School** was under the direction of Miss **Genice Young** with Mr **Kierstead, Elaine Estabrook and Floris William** as assistants. This year there was an evening session for the Intermediate Group who were unable to attend during the day session. The Amity young people were joined by a goodly group from Hodgdon and Cary. The Love Offering for Miss Young was \$80.00. Several of the young people accepted Christ as their Savior.

August 22: At an outdoor baptism in Cary the following Amity people committed themselves to the Lord: **Kenneth Young, Richard Anderson, Katherine Carr, Joanne Eagers, Joyce Williams, Eliziva Williams, and Clara Pierce.**

September 5: The following received the Right Hand of Fellowship and became members of Amity Baptist Church: **Richard Anderson, Kenneth Young, Eliziva Williams, Joanne Eagers, and Joyce Williams.**
On this date, the congregation voted to raise Mr Kierstead's salary by \$2.50 making a total of \$10.00 per Sunday.

The Year in Review: 1949

April 28: Annual Meeting with the following in attendance: Myra Lycette, Nellie Reed, Lillian Dwyer, Marion Libby, Pauline Farrar, Bernice Farrar, Muriel Farrar, Joyce Williams, Elzina Williams, Mr. Kierstead and Floris Williams.

Officers elected for 1949: Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Myra Lycette**

Trustees: **Lillian Dwyer, Marion Boles, Elaine Estabrook**

Pulpit Committee: **Florence Anderson, Dawn Knapp, Floris Williams**

Superintendent: **Floris Williams**

Head Usher: **Verdelle Hubbard**

Assistant Usher: **Mevin Anderson**

During the year our attendance has remained about average with a slight increase in the spring.

We had a good **Daily Vacation Bible School** as usual and we feel seed was sown which someday will yield a goodly harvest of the souls of our youth.

We were pleased to be able to get the inside of our church painted and appreciate the untiring efforts of the ladies who refinished the seats and floor and laid the floor covering.

We appreciate the cooperation of the young adults in assisting us in purchasing our piano.

We are looking forward and praying for special meetings in June, trusting that great things will be accomplished through the power of God.

Quite a few have been privileged during the past year to be able to attend some of the special services held in Hodgdon and Houlton under the direction of such men as Grady Wilson, Harold Alexander, Jack Wiptzer and "Billy" Graham.

(Florence Anderson, Clerk)

The Year in Review: 1950

April 27, 1950: Annual Church Meeting with 12 members and the pastor present.

Treasurer's Report showed \$182.79 cash on hand.

Officers elected for 1950:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Dawn Knapp**

Trustees: **Myra Lycette, Muriel Boone, Marion Libby**

Pulpit Comm: **Florence Anderson, Lillian Dwyer, Floris Williams**

Superintendent: **Lillian Dwyer**

Head Usher: **Verdell Hubbard**

Asst Usher: **Melvin Anderson**

Voted to give financial assistance to Leta Williams to help her at PBI. The amount will be determined by the Business Comm.

A standing vote of thanks was given to Myra Lycette for her faithful services as treasurer. During the first three weeks of June, we were so fortunate as to have three young men from Gordon College known as a "**Gospel Team**" hold special services. These men were Howard R. Keeley of Camden, Maine, Howard D Janssen of Illinois and Walter Baertschi of New York. They were preacher, soloist and pianist respectively. Through the outpouring of God's Spirit many were led to accept Christ as their Savior. It has been many years since Amity has had a revival such as this where fathers, mothers and their families have been saved. Following the revival services, the **Daily Vacation Bible School** began under the leadership of **Betty Akeley** of Greenfield, New Jersey while Ruth Gildand of Haughton, New York carried on in Cary. There was a good attendance and as usual many good seeds were sown which will in time reap a harvest of souls. Truly this has been a season of "Showers of Blessings" for this section of the field. After a course in the prayer services on the meaning of Baptism, twenty-eight candidates followed the Lord in baptism at the stream in Cary on **August 27**. Some of these were from Cary and Hodgdon. The following Sunday the right hand of fellowship was extended from the Amity Church to the following people thus making them members of our Church as of **September 3, 1950**:

Lloyd Farrar	Linwood Farrar	Goldie Farrar
Virgil Farrar	Bernice Farrar	Helen Towers
Pauline Farrar	Dennis Towers	Muriel Farrar
Dalton Towers	Roger Towers	Vinal Williams
William Towers	Dianne Williams	Natalie Towers
Albert Manuel	Patricia Libby	Hollis Dwyer
Patricia Boles	Alma Jean Dwyer	Judith Knapp
Maimie Williams		

On **January 21, 1951**, Warden and Muriel Boone were received into membership via letter.

On **April 22, 1951**, Cecil Williams was received into membership by baptism.

The Year in Review: 1951

April 26, 1951: The Annual Business Meeting was held with 13 members and the pastor present. Treasurer's Report was given showing \$32.96 cash on hand besides a bank deposit.

Officers were elected as follows:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Dawn Knapp**

Trustees: **Myra Lycette, Muriel Boone, Marion Libby, Warden Boone, and Vinal Williams**

Pulpit Comm: **Florence Anderson, Floris Williams and Goldie Farrar**

SS Superintendent: **Muriel Boone**

Asst Superintendent: **Marion Boles**

Head Usher: **Melvin Anderson**

Asst Usher: **Richard Anderson**

Comm on Teachers: **Marion Boles, Goldie Farrar and Dawn Knapp.**

Voted to give Leta William \$50.00 to help her at PBI.

Voted to have communion the first Sunday of every month.

(Floris Williams, Clerk Pro-Tem)

June/July: During the latter part of June and the first of July we held this year's **Daily Vacation Bible School**. This year the team was Carol Lieckty of Toledo, Ohio, a student at Nyack, and Phyllis Manus of San Jose, Illinois, a graduate of Bob Jones College. Carol worked here while Phyllis carried on in Cary at the same time. The attendance was not as large as usual but the interest was good and we believe as usual much good seed was sown.

Immediately following the DVBS the "**Gospel Team**" came back to have special services. This year Jerry Knowles

took Walter Baertschi's place in the trio but we were glad to welcome back both Howard Keeley and Howard Janssen. It certainly was a real treat to have them back. They, together with Mr. Keirstead, worked faithfully and prayerfully but with no visible results. However it was good to renew friendships in the Lord.

December 9: We were saddened today at the announcement made by Mr. Keirstead that he was leaving this field as he had accepted a call from the Ellsworth church. We certainly do appreciate his faithfulness and patience with us and pray all of God's blessings upon him in his new field.

The Year in Review - 1952

January 20, 1952: Mr Kierstead preached his farewell sermons on the field. We realize that through his untiring efforts for the Lord, a great work has been done. We will bid him good-bye with God's richest blessings.

January 27: Rev Archibald Craig supplied on the field today and met with the pulpit committees of the churches. He suggested the name of Calvin Hayes of Concord, New Hampshire as a candidate for the vacancy.

February 3: Calvin Hayes and his wife were here as candidates for the field. At the close of the evening service in Hodgdon a vote was taken and it was unanimously agreed to give them a call to the field. He said he would like to have a few days to consider the matter. However on February 8, we received his acceptance of the call. He plans to be here for March 2.

March 2: Pastor Hayes and his wife were on the field. They appear to be a vivacious, earnest young couple who are out to win souls for Christ.

March 30: The Amity and Cary Missionary Society sponsored an evening service in the interest of missions. A very inspiring program was presented with a challenging message by Mr. Hayes. An offering of \$42.00 was received to be divided between the churches to be turned toward the Love Offering.

Due to an increase in salary Amity's share of the same is raised from \$10.00 per Sunday to \$11.50 per Sunday.

Last Thursday in April: The Annual Business Meeting was held in the evening with Mr. Hayes acting as moderator.

The following officers were elected for the year:

Clerk: Florence Anderson

Treasurer: Dawn Knapp

Trustees: Myra Lycette, Warden Boone, Vinal Williams

Pulpit Comm: Florence Anderson, Floris Williams, Goldie Farrar

SS Superintendent: Dawn Knapp

Asst Superintendent: Marion Libby

Head Usher: Melvin Anderson

Asst Usher: Richard Anderson

Comm on Teachers and Officers: Muriel Boone, Floris Williams, Goldie Farrar

Voted to use duplex offering envelopes in order to stimulate interest in Mission giving.

A vote of thanks was generated to Patsy Libby and Dianne Williams for their faithfulness in piano playing and a request was made that they continue for the coming year.

(Florence Anderson, Clerk)

Summer 1952: The attendance at our Daily Vacation Bible School was not as large as some other years but the attendance was very regular. The group was under the direction of Elaine Browning a native of Woodstock, New Brunswick, Canada. She with the assistance of the local girls did a good job with the youngsters and good seed was sown.

The young people have shown a very good interest in their meetings as they have united with the Cary and Hodgdon young people. They have been very faithful in their attendance at the special rallies throughout the year. We are pleased to hear that one of our girls, Alice E Knapp, was elected Vice President of the Southern Aroostook BYF for the coming year.

Those of us who attend the Young Adult Meetings have enjoyed the Christian fellowship at them; and have received much help for the Sunday evening services conducted by them both in our own church and in the

others. We were thrilled to have **Leta Williams**, one of our own girls from PBI as our speaker in her own church. We were richly blessed from our services in the summer with **Howard Keeley** and his wife. Howard seems like one of us now and we feel his wife is God's chosen partner for him in his work.

Although we did not see the unsaved finding Christ as Savior we do know that the Holy Spirit was convicting in such a way as we have never seen before in our church. We are looking forward to the coming summer prayerfully and with sincere hope that great things will be accomplished in the Lord.

We appreciate the hospitality of those who have had the **Prayer Meetings** in their homes during the winter months and pray that God's blessing has been on their homes.

We want to extend our thanks to Mr & Mrs Hayes for their faithfulness and interest in us. We realize that often times when our numbers are so few, Mr Hayes must needs be discouraged if he did not remember God's promise to the "twos and threes".

The blessings from the special meetings in Hodgdon with **Lee Good** extended to our midst as one of our young men gave himself to Christ and had been active for Him in our young peoples' group. We thank God for this.

The Year in Review: 1953

April 1953: Annual Business Meeting with Mr Hayes as moderator.

Following officers elected:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Dawn Knapp**

Board of Trustees: **Marion Boles, Floris Williams, Dawn Knapp.**

Pulpit Committee: **Floris Williams, Godie Farrar, Florence Anderson**

SS Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

Asst Superintendent: **Floris Williams**

Ushers: **Mevin Anderson, Richard Anderson**

Delegates appointed to **Ordination Council** at Hodgdon for Calvin Hayes on May 8: **Florence Anderson, Dawn Knapp**

Voted that anyone who can go to **State Convention** would serve as delegates.

Voted that Pastor and SS Superintendent choose SS Teachers

Voted to instruct the Board of Trustees to investigate and act about painting the church.

Voted to accept the offer of the young people to do a clean up job on church grounds.

May 8: Ordination Council met at Hodgdon to examine Calvin Hayes. He was recommended for ordination.

July 6-17: Howard Keeley and his wife came to hold special services with us. As usual his messages were stirring and inspiring. The attendance, although not very large, was very faithful. Some souls were led of the Spirit to accept Christ a Savior. Prayer services were held each morning calling on God to pour out His power of conviction of sin upon the unsaved.

July 13-24: Daily Vacation Bible School was held under the leadership of Martha Kramer of Findley, Ohio. Mrs. Keeley very generously offered to help Miss Kramer for the week she was here. There were 27 children registered, and 25 had perfect attendance.

September 6: The following new members received the **Right Hand of Fellowship**: **Abbie Dwyer, Alton Dwyer, Hubert Bates, Elizabeth Bates, Larry LeVasseur, Eugene McIntee, and Fred Barker.**

Other Happenings:

During the year, eight people have been granted Dimissals so they might unite with churches they attend

The Young People have been very faithful in their attendance at their meetings and we're proud they bought home the **BYF** banner at the rally for the three churches.

There have been many of us who have attended the **Young Adult's Meetings**, but those of us who have received help and encouragement from the Christian fellowship at the meetings.

We were pleased with the new look of the exterior of the church after its coats of paint. Although it was a

financial struggle we feel that God will honor us in keeping His house in good repair.

As is true in nearly all of the churches in Aroostook County this year all expense are rather difficult to meet but we feel that the people who know and own Christ as Savior will be convinced of their duties and obligations to Him in a financial way and rally to the needs, for in His word, He says, "Commit thy way into the Lord, trust also in Him and He will bring it to pass."

We want to express our thanks and appreciation to our Pastor for his faithfulness to us and for his patience with us, and pray that God will bless him and give him courage in the face of any and all discouragements.

The Year in Review: 1954

April 1954: Annual Business Meeting was held with 15 present. After devotions, Mr Hayes was appointed Moderator. Clerk's report and Treasurer's report were given and approved, as was the Pastor's report.

It was voted that summer prayer meetings be held separately and then join with Cary during the winter.

Delegates to Association would be whoever could attend.

Officers elected for the year are:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Lloyd Farrar**

Board of Trustees: **Treasurer, Abbie Dwyer, Myra Lycette, Warden Boone**

Pulpit Comm: **Alton Dwyer, Goldie Farrar, Florence Anderson**

SS Superintendent: **Florance Anderson**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Muriel Boone**

Ushers: **Larry LeVasseur, Richard Anderson**

It was voted to postpone action in minimum salary plan for another year.

At the suggestion of the Pastor, duplex envelopes were distributed for use.

Subscription lists for **Crusader** were read and renewed.

Opportunity was given to help American Baptist Publishing in printing more Bibles for free distribution.

(Florence Anderson, Clerk)

Highlights of 54: During the past year our work has gone on much the same as the previous year. We did not have any special evangelistic services in our own church, but the pastor has given us several evangelistic services. Our attendance has been about average with perhaps a little increase in the whole year.

The session of **Daily Vacation Bible School** was one of the best in attendance that we have had. By Cary children joining with ours there were numbers enough to make for a good interest.

We appreciate and thank God for the faithfulness of our Pastor in his untiring efforts to bring us the unbiased Word of God.

The Year in Review: 1955

April 1955: Annual Business Meeting was held. After devotions, Mr Hayes was elected moderator.

It was voted that whoever is able to attend **Association** in Houlton on May 2 will act as delegates.

Reports were read and accepted.

Officers elected as follows:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Lloyd Farrar**

Board of Trustees: **Alton Dwyer, Richard Anderson, Warden Boone, Treasurer**

Pulpit Comm: **Alton Dwyer, Goldie Farrar, Florence Anderson**

Ushers: **Lynwood Farrar, Richard Anderson**

SS Superintendent: **Marion Boles**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Florence Anderson**

SS Secretary/Treasurer: **Marion Libby**

SS Teachers: Adult - **Forence Anderson**; Junior - **Floris Williams**; Primary - **Marion Boles**; Beginners - **Dianne Williams**.

Voted to give Lloyd Farrar authority to get church insured.

Voted to participate in M.S. Plan for 1955. (possibly minister's salary?)

Voted to take part in Y.B.A. activities.

(Florence Anderson, Clerk)

The Year in Review: 1956

January 12: Our **Annual Business Meeting** was held at the church with the following members present: **Abbie Dwyer, Warden Boone, Floris Williams, Marion Boles, Dawn Knapp, Lloyd Farrar, Goldie Farrar, Grace Pullen and Marion Libby.**

Opened meeting with prayer led by Floris Williams.

Grace Pullen was elected Moderator. Reports were read and accepted.

Officers elected as follows:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Warden Boone**

Board of Trustees: **Warden Boone (chair), Alton Dwyer, Richard Anderson**

Pulpit Comm: **Marion Libby, Muriel Boone, Florence Anderson**

Ushers: **Lynwood Farrar, Richard Anderson**

SS Superintendent: **Floris Williams**

Asst Superintdnt: **Dawn Knapp**

SS Sec/Treas: **Marion Boles**

SS Teachers: Adult - **Marion Boone**; Junior - **Floris Williams**; Primary - **Dawn Knapp**

(Marion Libby, Clerk Pro-tem)

February 5: Our pastor **John Goodhart** and his wife had their first Sunday with us. We feel that Mr Goodhart is doing a fine job on the field. He is very faithful in his visitation especially to the sick which we heartily appreciate. In fact, wherever there is trouble, if he knows about it, he is there to help point the troubled to the One who has promised to be our burden bearer.

Highlights: We were pleased to have **Joan Wetherbee** as our director for **Vacation Bible School**. She was from Utica, New York and a student at Bob Jones. She with her assistants did a fine work with one of the largest groups we have ever had.

Through the efforts of Mr Goodhart, **Mayo Hall** has been completely renovated and converted into a recreation center in hopes to direct the youth of our communities in the proper direction. Each Friday evening it is open under Christian supervision to the youth to engage in good clean sports and games. The dedication of the Center was in conjunction with our Pastor's anniversary, a complete but happy surprise. We thank God for sending us a pastor who preaches the whole truth and is not slack concerning the preaching of Christ's Second Coming. We are looking toward higher and greater goals for Christ in 1957 and are praying to that end.

(Florence Anderson, Clerk)

The Year in Review: 1957

January 24: **The Annual Business Meeting** was held with Mr Goodhart as Moderator. Reports were read and accepted.

Some of the recommendations from the Pastor for the coming year were to appointment of a snow removal committee, visitation with an aim for increase in Sunday School attendance, and an effort to either clean or paint the interior of the church.

Officers for the year were:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Muriel Boone**

Board of Trustees: **Treasurer, Marion Libby, Warden Boone, Richard Anderson**

Pulpit Committee: **Alton Dwyer, Marion Boles, Lloyd Farrar**

Ushers: **Virgil Farrar, Linwood Farrar, William Libby, Eugene McEntee**

SS Superintendent: **Muriel Boone**

Asst Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

SS Sec/Treas: **Marion Libby**

SS Teachers: Adult - **John Goodheart**; Senior - **Florence Anderson**; Junior - **Muriel Boone**; Primary - **Dawn Knapp**; Substitute - **Marion Boles**

A goal was set to get 40 persons involved in Sunday School.

Highlights: Our church attendance has been quite regular except perhaps during the flu epidemic.

Daily Vacation Bible School under the direction of **Miss Alma Miller** was as fine as we have ever had. A goodly number of youngsters came who do not have any other contact with Bible training. Following DVBS special effort was made by some of our workers to have these youngsters come to Sunday school and even offered to find transportation for them. Apparently due to lack of interest on the part of the parents, the project did not last very long. We do feel that what times the children did come, God's Word was sown in their hearts and someday will reap a harvest.

We have been privileged to have a number of missionaries visit the field and some to speak at our own church and show slides of their work.

We have welcomed the Sunday evenings when the service in our church was in charge of the **Young Adults**.

An inspiration and a challenge is always in store for those who attend.

At this time we would like to thank our pastor for his faithfulness and patience with us and to express our appreciation for his personal interest in each and every one of us. We thank the Lord for the messages which He inspires for they are truly the Word of God so seldom found in the churches of today. With God's help let us look to the coming year resolved to do more for our Lord and Master.

The Year in Review: 1958

January 16: The Annual Business Meeting was held with eight present. Pastor Goodhart was Moderator. Reports were read and accepted with the Pastor speaking of the following highlights: Good attendance at BYF Groups and new materials available to work with these groups; some of the youngsters were able to attend summer camp; although attendance goals were not reached, it did not mean failure; DVBS attendance was very encouraging; and missionary giving was very good.

Officers were elected as follows:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Muriel Boone**

Trustees: **Marion Libby, Warden Boone, Richard Anderson**

Pupit Comm: **Alton Dwyer, Marion Boles, Lloyd Farrar**

Ushers: **Virgil Farrar, Linwood Farrar, William Libby, Eugene McEntee**

SS Superintendent: **John Goodhart**

Asst Superintendent: **Velora Back**

SS Sec/Treas: **Marion Libby**

Asst SS Sec/Treas: **Velora Black**

SS Teachers: Adult - **John Goodhart**; Junior - **Muriel Boone**; Primary - **Dawn Knapp**; Substitute - **Marion Boles**

Highlights: Attendance has slackened off some due to sickness and necessity of some members moving to other towns. God's promise is to the two or three gathered in His name so we claim this promise. I believe

there has been a worship service every Lord's Day during the year.

During the pastor's vacation the pulpit was filled by **Jack Steele**, **Carl Sjoburg** and **Kenneth Knowles**.

Meetings have been combined with Cary, giving a goodly number present. The interest in the study/work book type of service appears to be creating a good attendance.

Daily Vacation Bible School was under the leadership of **Gail McGeough**, a student from Bob Jones University.

The attendance was good and certainly seed was sown for the Lord by such a consecrated leader.

Quite a few were able to attend at least some of the meetings held by "**Tal**" **McNutt**. Our hearts were thrilled with the decisions made during this series of meetings.

We would like at this time to express our appreciation to our pastor for his personal interest in each and every one of us and also for the fact of his messages being the whole facts from the Word of God. It is our prayer that during the coming year, if the Lord tarry, we shall see the working of God in mighty power in our midst.

The Year in Review: 1959

January 15, 1959: The Annual Business Meeting was held with Mr Goodhart as Moderator. Reports were read and approved.

Officers were elected as follows:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Marion Boles**

Boad of Trustees: **Marion Libby**, **Lloyd Farrar**, **Richard Anderson**

Pulpit Comm: **Alton Dwyer**, **Mariam Boles**, **Dawn Knapp**

Ushers: **Linwood Farrar**, **William Libby**, **Eugene McEntee**

SS Superintendent: **Velora Black**

Asst Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

SS Sec/Treas: **Marion Libby**

Asst SS Sec/Treas: **Velora Black**

SS Teachers: Primary - **Dawn Knapp**; Junior - **Marion Boles**; Senior Adult - **Florence Anderson**;

Assistant Teacher - **Judith Putnam**

Highlights: Our year has seen some new faces in our worship services as well as a few who have returned after an absence for a time. Although there are scores in our town who should be in church on the Lord's day our attendance remains nearly an average of thirty. We have been thankful for the increase in Sunday School numbers and for the faithfulness of those who have made it possible for the children with no transportation to attend.

Our **Daily Vacation Bible School**, combined with Cary had a larger group from Amity than we at first expected.

We thank the Lord for the work of DVBS which seems to draw out youngsters who so often have no Bible instruction at home. Surely their hearts are tender and good soil for the message of salvation.

We found refreshment for ourselves and joy for new souls saved during the **Aroostook Evangeistic Crusade** under the leadership of "**Tal**" **McNutt** and "**Bill**" **Milner**.

I am sure all who attended the **HCA Fellowship** meetings find food for their Christian life and I would extend an invitation to all to attend as often as possible. The fellowship of Christian friends is good for our walk with Christ.

We wish to say 'thank you' to Mr and Mrs Goodhart for their faithfulness in their work. We realize it is difficult for Mrs Goodhart to be at our service very often but certainly do enjoy having her as much as possible. We have enjoyed the messages of heart searching and challenge which Mr Goodhart, inspired by the Holy Spirit, has been bringing this past year.

Let us with new endeavor, new courage, and new aspirations prayerfully accept the challenges of the new year and with God's help make it count for Him.

The Year in Review: 1960

January 14: The Annual Business Meeting was held and the following business transacted. All reports were read and accepted.

The following officers were elected:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Marion Boles**

Board of Trustees: **Marion Libby, Lloyd Farrar, Richard Anderson**

Pulpit Comm: **Joanne Anderson, Marion Libby, Dawn Knapp**

Ushers: **Fred Barker, Rodney Farrar**

SS Superintendent: **Vilora Black**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

SS Sec/Treas: **Della Davis**

Asst SS Sec/Treas: **Joanne Anderson**

SS Teachers: Beginner - **Joanne Anderson**; Junior - **Marion Boles**; Primary - **Dawn Knapp**; Seniors - **Florence Anderson**; Assistants - **Velora Black, Marion Libby**

Highlights: Dale Voght of Zephyr Hill, Florida was the **Daily Vacation Bible School** teacher.

We were saddened to listen to the resignation of Mr Goodhart effective in January. We wish him God speed and blessings on his new field in Fort Fairfield.

Mr Craig met with us and informed us that Hodgdon and Cary felt that three churches were to many for a pastor. They invited the Amity people to unite with either church for worship service, but a vote of the people showed that they preferred to put forth a greater effort in order to have a pastor of our own. We informed Mr Craig that if he could contact **Harold Carpenter** and find out if Harold would be interested in becoming our pastor we would appreciate it. As of the date of our business meeting, no action has been taken.

1960

American Baptist Convention

Recognition Certificate

The Council on Missionary Cooperation of the American Baptist Convention presents this special Recognition Certificate to the members of

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Pastor Harold Carpenter, Jr., for commendable

progress in advancing Christ's Kingdom throughout our American Baptist World Mission.

We extend greetings and sincere congratulations to your church for

\$152 which is a more than 10% increase over last year's giving.

Our prayer is that you may make

stepping stones to even greater

May God continue

this level of higher giving another

seasons for Christ this coming year.

to bless your efforts.

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Director of World Missions
Council on Missionary Cooperation



Elmer Butler
Executive Secretary

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CHURCH STATISTICS

Before you write, please read IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS

For the year ending

Dec 1969

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE Amity Baptist Church in the S. Arceostock Association

(NAME OF CHURCH)

(NAME OF ASSOCIATION)

Street address town or city Amity state Maine

Organized (year) 1863

IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS

- Please retain one copy for your church, and send one copy to the Baptist state or city office and one copy to the clerk of your association as soon as possible after December 31.
- Write plainly; use a typewriter if convenient.
- Please give full names and such designations as Mr., Mrs., Miss or Rev. Also give full Post Office address, with P. O. Box, street number or rural route number.
- Please exercise great care in entering figures and put TOTALS where required.
- Please secure statistics on Christian education from the chairman of your board of Christian education, or if you have no board, from the Sunday church school superintendent.

GENERAL

Hour of Sunday worship services 11 A.M. P.M. Hour of Sunday church school 10 A.M.
 Day and hour of prayer meeting Thurs. 7:30 P.M. Date of annual meeting Jan. 1970 Number of contributors of record
 Month of Every Member Canvass None Amount of missionary goal accepted \$ 167.00

CHURCH OFFICERS AND ADDRESSES

Pastor <u>Mr. Harold W. Carpenter</u>	Ordained or Licensed? <u>Local License</u>
Address <u>10 Green St., Houlton, Me.</u>	Telephone <u>532-2856</u>
Date of Pastor's settlement <u>Feb. 1961</u>	Is Parsonage provided? Yes ☐ No ☒
Assistant pastor	Ordained or Licensed?
Address	Telephone
Church Secretary (employed)	Address
Director of Christian education	
Address	Telephone
Moderator	Address
Clerk <u>Mrs. Florence Anderson</u>	Address <u>Amity, Maine</u>
Chm. Bd. Deacons	Address
Chm. Comm. Evang.	Address
Chm. Trustees <u>Lloyd Finner</u>	Address
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Chm. Bd. Christian Education	Address
Chm. Bd. of Missions	Address
Treas. Operating Exp. <u>Mrs. Marion Boles</u>	Address <u>Amity, Maine</u>
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Supt. Sun. Ch. Sch. <u>Mrs. Alton Black</u>	Address <u>Amity, Maine</u>
Presidents:	
Woman's Society	Address
Men's Council	Address
BYF:	
Junior High	Address
Senior High	Address
Older Youth	Address
Other Board and Committee Chairmen:	
	Address
	Address

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION STATISTICS

		Total Pupils	Officers and Teachers (Counselors)	Total	Number of Baptisms from Sunday Church School
SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL	Enrollment	20	5	25	-
	Av. Attendance	15	4	19	
VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL	Baptist ☒	27	3	30	
	Interdenominational ☐				
WEEKDAY	Church School (held on released time)				
Church School of MISSIONS					
CHILDREN'S Club Activities					
Youth Groups	Sunday Evening				
	Fellowship Guild				
	Other				
ADULT Groups	Woman's Society				
	Men's Council				
	Other				

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Total membership reported last year 22
 GAINS - By baptism 1 LOSSES - By death 1
 By letter _____ By letter _____
 Otherwise _____ Otherwise _____
 Total gains 1 Total losses 1
 Total present membership 22
 Total present membership 22
 of which
 resident membership is 13
 and
 non-resident membership is 9

PROPERTY

	VALUE	DEBT	Contributed for this year
a. Church edifice and lot	\$2500	\$	\$
b. Parsonage and lot	\$	\$	\$
c. Amount of insurance carried	\$2000		

OPERATING EXPENSES

a. Salaries
 Pastor's salary \$728.00
 Housing _____ Total \$728.00
 Ass't. pastor's salary \$ _____
 Dir. Chrn. Ed.'s salary \$ _____
 Other personnel \$25.00
 Total salaries \$753.00
 b. Amount paid on pensions \$ _____
 c. Christian Education (church school, vacation church school, etc.) \$ _____
 d. Radio and television \$ _____
 e. State's minimum salary plan payments \$ _____
 f. Evangelism \$ _____
 g. Other current operating expenses \$96.30
 Total operating expenses \$849.30

BENEVOLENCES

A. American Baptist Convention

1. UNIFIED BUDGET

a. Regular \$46.08
 b. World Fellowship Offering \$7.00
 c. America for Christ Offering \$10.45
 Total Unified Budget (a, b & c) \$163.53

2. HIGHER EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

3. OTHER SPECIFIC GIFTS

a. National agencies \$ _____
 b. M&M Communion Offering \$ _____
 c. State or city projects (camps, assoc. missionaries, etc.) \$ _____
 d. Baptist home, orphanage or hospital not included in Institutional Budget \$ _____
 Total of a, b, c, and d \$ _____

4. INSTITUTIONAL BUDGET

B. Other benevolences (local charities and gifts other than through American Baptist Convention) \$4.40
 Total of all benevolences \$167.93
 GRAND TOTAL (operating expenses and benevolences) \$1017.23

The Year in Review: 1961

January 12: Annual Business Meeting was held with reports read and accepted.

The following officers were elected:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Marion Boles**

Board of Trustees: **Lloyd Farrar, Richard Anderson, Marion Libby**

Pulpit Comm: **Dawn Knapp, Velora Black, Marion Libby**

Ushers: **Rodney Farrar, Linwood Farrar**

SS Superintendent: **Vilora Black**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

SS Sec/Treas: **Della Davis**

Teachers: Junior - **Dawn Knapp**; Beginners - **Marion Boles**; Primary - Substitute when needed;

Adult - **Vilora Black**; Substitute - **Marion Libby**

Highlights: A call was given to **Harold Carpenter** to become pastor and in February he accepted the call is being blessed as well as being a blessing.

May: **William Davis, Sandra Libby, and Alwilda Williams** were received by transfer; and **George Lycette** by baptism.

The attendance at both worship and Sunday school has increased and God is richly blessing. We are enjoying the fellowship of **Mr & Mrs George Aubrey Clark** and family, recently returned missionaries from Brazil, who are living in our town.

August 13: **Lorraine Knapp, David Knapp, Irene Carr and Marjorie Carr** were received as members.

September 24: **Aubrey Clark** joined with us.

A vote was taken to alternate **BYF** with prayer meeting, but the Lord spoke to **Sandra Libby** and she offered to assume the leadership of the BYF so both services could be held weekly.

September 24: It was voted that a contractor be hired to build a foundation, replace the church on it and install a heating system. The estimate for such by Marvin Fleweling was \$1850. The Trustees in conjunction with a **Building Committee** of **Aubrey Clark, Velora Black and Dawn Knapp** are to attend to the business of renovating, securing the needed funds and attending to any other matters pertaining to this. The work progressed very well. God's blessing must have been upon the project to have provided the wonderful weather to allow such work.

Letters were written to many former residents of the town as well as to interested friends telling of the remodelling project. Answers in the form of contributions have been very encouraging.

Daily Vacation Bible School was under the direction of **Martha Childs** of Troy, New Hampshire and a student at Bob Jones University. She was assisted by **Donna Estabrook and Alwilda Williams** as teachers. The attendance was very good, especially in the Beginners group.

We are looking to God for great things during the coming year knowing that if we ask in faith believing, He will bring it to pass.

BUILDING FUND DONATIONS
IN MEMORY OF
O.W. Pullen

DONATED BY
The Pullen Family

Mr & Mrs Verdall Estabrook
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Mr & Mrs Charles Holden

Mr & Mrs Ray Fanjoy

Mr & Mrs Harold Lycette

Mrs Hattie Scribner
Mr Edward Farrar
Mrs Susie Tracey

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Nina Williams

Mr & Mrs Herschell Greenleaf
Tracy

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Mr & Mrs Alton Black

Mr & Mrs Carl Reed
Mr & Mrs Ernest Young
Mr & Mrs Burchard Reed
Jr
Mr & Mrs Albert Reed
Mr & Mrs Donald Reed
Mr & Mrs Robert Reed
Mr & Mrs George Reed

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William Estabrook
Averill Estabrook

Mr & Mrs Ellis Black

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Mr & Mrs D.M. Libby
Mr & Mrs William E Fanjoy

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Mr & Mrs Earl Oliver
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Mr & Mrs Leon Shipp
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Mr & Mrs Averill Black
Florence & Nancy Anderson
Mr & Mrs William Henry

Mr & Mrs Clark Bubar
Mr & Mrs Allan Knapp
Mr & Mrs Millard Simpson
Mr & Mrs Hugh Libby
Mr & Mrs Winston Bartlett
Mr & Mrs Leigh Campbell
Mr & Mrs Melvin Anderson
Mr & Mrs Richard Anderson
Mr & Mrs Gerad Simpson
Mr & Mrs Donald Dunn
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Mr & Mrs Warden Boone
Mr & Mrs Alton Dwyer
Mr & Mrs Fred Drinkwater
Mr & Mrs Lloyd Farrar
Mrs Dorothy Wilcox
Mr & Mrs Aubrey Clark
Mr & Mrs Louis Wetherbee

CHURCH STATISTICS

Before you write, please read **IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS**

For the year ending 1961

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE in the Association
(NAME OF CHURCH) (NAME OF ASSOCIATION)

Street address town or city state

Organized (year) 1863

IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS

- Please retain one copy for your church, and send one copy to the Baptist state or city office and one copy to the clerk of your association as soon as possible after December 31.
- Write plainly; use a typewriter if convenient.
- Please give full names and such designations as Mr., Mrs., Miss or Rev. Also give full Post Office address, with P. O. Box, street number or rural route number.
- Please exercise great care in entering figures and put **TOTALS** where required.
- Please secure statistics on Christian education from the chairman of your board of Christian education, or if you have no board, from the Sunday church school superintendent.

GENERAL

Hour of Sunday worship services A.M. P.M. Hour of Sunday church school A.M.
Day and hour of prayer meeting Date of annual meeting Number of contributors of record
Month of Every Member Canvass Amount of missionary goal accepted \$

CHURCH OFFICERS AND ADDRESSES

Pastor	Ordained or Licensed?
Address	Telephone
Date of Pastor's settlement <u>1961</u>	Is Parsonage provided? Yes ☐ No ☐
Assistant pastor	Ordained or Licensed?
Address	Telephone
Church Secretary (employed)	Address
Director of Christian education	Address
Address	Telephone
Moderator	Address
Clerk	Address
Chm. Bd. Deacons	Address
Chm. Comm. Evang.	Address
Chm. Trustees	Address
Chm. Finance Comm.	Address
Chm. Bd. Christian Education	Address
Chm. Bd. of Missions	Address
Treas. Operating Exp.	Address
Treas. Benev.	Address
Supt. Sun. Ch. Sch.	Address
Presidents:	
Woman's Society	Address
Men's Council	Address
BYF:	
Junior High	Address
Senior High	Address
Older Youth	Address
Other Board and Committee Chairmen:	
.....	Address
.....	Address

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION STATISTICS

		Total Pupils	Officers and Teachers (Counselors)	Total	Number of Baptisms from Sunday Church School
SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL	Enrollment	40	4	44	3
	Av. Attendance	20	3	23	
VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL	Baptist ☒	28	5	33	
	Interdenominational ☐				
WEEKDAY	Church School (held on released time)				
Church School of MISSIONS					
CHILDREN'S Club Activities					
Youth Groups	Sunday Evening				
	Fellowship Guild				
	Other <i>Byt</i>	8	3	11	
ADULT Groups	Woman's Society	10	3	13	
	Men's Council				
	Other				

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Total membership reported last year 43
GAINS - By baptism 4 LOSSES - By death 1
 By letter 3 By letter 2
 Otherwise 2 Otherwise _____
 Total gains 9 Total losses 3
 Total present membership 49

Total present membership 49
 of which
 resident membership is 25
 and
 non-resident membership is 24

PROPERTY

	VALUE	DEBT	Contributed for this year
a. Church edifice and lot	\$5500	\$1900	\$
b. Parsonage and lot	\$	\$	\$
c. Amount of insurance carried	\$2500		

OPERATING EXPENSES

a. Salaries

Pastor's salary \$ 579.00

Housing _____ Total \$ _____

Ass't. pastor's salary \$ _____

Dir. Chrn. Ed.'s salary \$ _____

Other personnel \$ _____

Total salaries \$ 579.00

b. Amount paid on pensions \$ _____

c. Christian Education (church school, vacation church school, etc.) \$ _____

d. Radio and television \$ _____

e. State's minimum salary plan payments \$ _____

f. Evangelism \$ _____

g. Other current operating expenses \$ 54.22

Total operating expenses \$ 633.22

BENEVOLENCES

A. American Baptist Convention

1. UNIFIED BUDGET

a. Regular \$ 131.73
 b. World Fellowship Offering \$ 24.00
 c. America for Christ Offering \$ 154.1
 Total Unified Budget (a, b & c) \$ 171.14

2. HIGHER EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

\$ _____

3. OTHER SPECIFIC GIFTS

a. National agencies \$ _____
 b. M&M Communion Offering \$ _____
 c. State or city projects (camps, assoc. missionaries, etc.) \$ _____
 d. Baptist home, orphanage or hospital not included in Institutional Budget \$ _____

Total of a, b, c, and d \$ _____

4. INSTITUTIONAL BUDGET

\$ _____

B. Other benevolences (local charities and gifts other than through American Baptist Convention)

\$ _____

Total of all benevolences

\$ 171.14

GRAND TOTAL (operating expenses and benevolences)

\$ 804.36

CHURCH STATISTICS

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For the year ending Dec 1962

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE in the Association
(NAME OF CHURCH) (NAME OF ASSOCIATION)

Street address town or city state

Organized (year) 1863

IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS

Reported 2/14/63

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- Write plainly; use a typewriter if convenient.
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GENERAL

Hour of Sunday worship services A.M. P.M. Hour of Sunday church school A.M.
 Day and hour of prayer meeting Date of annual meeting 1/31/63 Number of contributors of record
 Month of Every Member Canvass Amount of missionary goal accepted \$

CHURCH OFFICERS AND ADDRESSES

Pastor	Ordained or Licensed?
Address	Telephone
Date of Pastor's settlement	Is Parsonage provided? Yes ☐ No ☐
Assistant pastor	Ordained or Licensed?
Address	Telephone
Church Secretary (employed)	Address
Director of Christian education	Telephone
Address	Address
Moderator	Address
Clerk	Address
Chm. Bd. Deacons	Address
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Treas. Operating Exp.	Address
Treas. Benev.	Address
Supt. Sun. Ch. Sch.	Address
Presidents:	
Woman's Society	Address
Men's Council	Address
BYF:	
Junior High	Address
Senior High	Address
Older Youth	Address
Other Board and Committee Chairmen:	
.....	Address
.....	Address

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION STATISTICS

		Total Pupils	Officers and Teachers (Counselors)	Total	Number of Baptisms from Sunday Church School
SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL	Enrollment	20	5	25	
	Av. Attendance	15	4	19	
VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL	Baptist ☒				
	Interdenominational ☐	28	5	33	
WEEKDAY	Church School (held on released time)				
Church School of MISSIONS					
CHILDREN'S Club Activities					
Youth Groups	Sunday Evening				
	Fellowship Guild				
	Other BYF	8	1	9	
ADULT Groups	Woman's Society Mrs	10	3	13	
	Men's Council				
	Other				

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Total membership reported last year 48 Total present membership 48
 GAINS - By baptism 1 LOSSES - By death 2
 By letter _____ By letter _____
 Otherwise _____ Otherwise _____
 Total gains 1 Total losses 2
 Total present membership 48 resident membership is 24
 and non-resident membership is 24

PROPERTY

	VALUE	DEBT	Contributed for this year
a. Church edifice and lot	\$5500	\$1300	\$
b. Parsonage and lot	\$	\$	\$
c. Amount of insurance carried	\$2500		

OPERATING EXPENSES

a. Salaries
 Pastor's salary \$ 612.00
 Housing _____ Total \$ _____
 Ass't. pastor's salary \$ _____
 Dir. Chr. Ed.'s salary \$ _____
 Other personnel \$ 20.00
 Total salaries \$ 632.00
 b. Amount paid on pensions \$ _____
 c. Christian Education (church school, vacation church school, etc.) \$ _____
 d. Radio and television \$ _____
 e. State's minimum salary plan payments \$ _____
 f. Evangelism \$ _____
 g. Other current operating expenses \$ 62.41
 Total operating expenses \$ 694.41

BENEVOLENCES

A. American Baptist Convention

1. UNIFIED BUDGET

a. Regular \$ 171.83
 b. World Fellowship Offering \$ 25.00
 c. America for Christ Offering \$ 28.17
 Total Unified Budget (a, b & c) \$ 225.00

2. HIGHER EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

3. OTHER SPECIFIC GIFTS

a. National agencies \$ 4.50
 b. M&M Communion Offering \$ 2.50
 c. State or city projects (camps, assoc. missionaries, etc.) \$ CL.
 d. Baptist home, orphanage or hospital not included in Institutional Budget \$ _____
 Total of a, b, c, and d \$ 7.00

4. INSTITUTIONAL BUDGET

B. Other benevolences (local charities and gifts other than through American Baptist Convention) \$ 7.70
 Total of all benevolences \$ 239.70
 GRAND TOTAL (operating expenses and benevolences) \$ 934.11

The Year in Review: 1962

January 11: The Annual Business Meeting was held. Reports were given by the Clerk, Treasurer, SS Sec/Treasurer, Missionary Society, BYF, Building Committee and Pastor. All were accepted.

Officers elected for the year as follows:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Marion Boles**

Board of Trustees: **Lloyd Farrar, Richard Anderson, Marion Libby**

Pulpit Comm: **Dawn Knapp, Velora Black, Marion Libby**

SS Superintendent: **Aubrey Clark**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

SS Sec/Treasurer: **Della Davis**

Asst SS Sec/Treas: to be appointed

SS Teachers: Beginners - **Sandra Libby**; Primary - **Marion Boles**; Junior - **Dawn Knapp**; Adult - **Velora Black and Aubrey Clark**

Building Comm: **Trustees, Aubrey Clark, Dawn Knapp, Velora Black**

Voted that **Article III Section 2 of the By-Laws** be amended by transposing the words Deacons and Deaconess from Section 1 to Section 2 to read as follows:

"The Clerk, Treasurer, Financial Committee, Pulpit Committee, and Deacons or Deaconess are elected or re-elected annually."

Elected as Deacon: **Aubrey Clark**

Elected as Deaconess: **Velora Black**

Voted that Pastor and Trustees appoint the ushers for 1962.

Voted that the Building Committee pay \$25.00 on loan for the month of January 1962 and await further decisions as to future payments.

The Year in Review: 1963

January: Annual Meeting: Reports were given by Clerk, Treasurer, SS Secretary/Treasurer, Mission Society President, BYF President, Building Committee and the Pastor. All were accepted.

The Building Fund report showed a balance of \$1370.00 due at First National Bank.

Moved and voted that a Nominating Committee be appointed to present a slate of officers for 1964.

Pastor brought up the matter of Daily Vacation Bible School and also suggested that plans should be made to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the church.

Officers were elected as follows:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Marion Boles**

SS Superintendent: **Aubrey Clark**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

SS Sec/Treas: **Sandra Libby**

SS Teachers: to be appointed by Superintendent

Deacon: **Aubrey Clark**

Deaconess: **Velora Black**

Building Comm: **Trustees, Aubrey Clark, Dawn Knapp, Velora Black**

Pulpit Comm: **Alwilda Williams, Marion Libby, Velora Black**

Nominating Comm: **Lloyd Farrar, Sandra Libby, Marion Boles**

Highlights: During the summer and fall of 1964 many renovations were made to the church. The seats and wainscoting were varnished. The pulpit and doors were stripped to the bare wood and re-finished. New carpet was laid. The money for this had been donated to the greater part by the family of the late Hubert and Nellie Reed. New hardware was put on the doors and the basement was cleaned and made ready for use

September 19: A centennial service was held with afternoon and evening programs. Several of our previous pastors were present and gave messages. Following the services we met with Mr Craig and discussed the matter of **Rev C Vaughn Overman** becoming our pastor. At first the amount of salary seemed forboding, but after much prayer and discussion we decided to invite him to the field. At that time Mr Overman was employed in Caribou and came for the weekend. Mildred Oliver graciously offered a room for his use while in town. He at once began a Saturday evening recreational period with the BYF with great results. Later Mr Overman moved from Caribou and for a while in the winter of 1963-1964 worked in Boston and drove here for the weekends. Later he obtained work in Bangor and continued his work with the BYF.

The Year in Review: 1964

January: Annual Meeting was held with Rev C Vaughn Overman as Moderator. Reports were given as follows:

Treasurer's Report: \$129.70

Missionary: \$176.25 (which includes \$50.00 from Maine Baptist Convention for General Fund)

SS Treasurer: \$56.12

Pastor: 129 calls, 406 miles, 1 wedding, 1 funeral, 1 dedication

Youth: 2 meetings per week (one devotion, one recreation)

Officers elected as follows:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Marion Boles**

Asst Treasurer: **Velora Black**

Deacon: **Aubrey Clark**

Deaconess: **Velora Black**

SS Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Aubrey Clark**

Pulpit Comm: **Awilda Williams, Florence Anderson, Velora Black**

Building Comm: **Marion Libby, Lloyd Farrar, Richard Anderson, Dawn Knapp, Louis Weatherbee**

Trustees: **William Davis, Lloyd Farrar, Aubrey Clark**

Ushers: appointed by Pastor and Trustees

Placing a door at the top of the stair was discussed and left in the hands of the trustees.

There was some discussion as to the abuse of church property and also the use of church duplex envelopes and building fund envelopes.

Voted to give Christmas gift monies to building fund

Voted to hold Daily Vacation Bible School in summer of 1964

Highlights: June: We were happy and blessed to be privileged to have **CV Overman, Sr** of Girard, Kansas with us for a week of special meetings. We were so happy when the Hodgdon and Cary and East Hodgdon people joined with us. Mr. Overman was a powerful speaker, bringing out the facts from God's Word in a way which was slightly new to us as he spiced his messages with western wit and humor as well as personal experiences of which he has had many. On the closing nights we were happy to welcome Mrs Overman who is a very capable speaker. On Sunday morning she addressed the Adult

Sunday school group with a history of missions. Also on the week end we welcomed Mr & Mrs Lawrence Hartt of Bangor. The couple has shown a very special interest in our young people and our church. They brought with them, two young lady missionaries from Glen Cove Bible School. Although there was not too great an evidence of decisions at the meetings the seed was sown which has been reaped all during the summer.

July 19: Mr Overman baptised five candidates.

July 26: A business meeting was held. It was voted to welcome the five, as well as five others through experience into our church membership.

July: **Daily Vacation Bible School** was very well organized and operated under the direction of **Mrs Nilda Wallace** of Nyack, New York. The attendance was about 30 with one of the best closing programs we have ever had.

July 25: Fifty of our people gathered at Derring Lake for a combined **Sunday school/church/birthday picnic**.

August 2: The following were given the official welcome into the membership of our church: **Lewis Weatherbee, Arabel Weatherbee, William H Libby, Joyce Estabrook, Effie Williams, Jacqueline Seamans, Clifford Williams, Jennie Shields, Della Davis.**

August: A monthly business meeting was held to discuss Mr & Mrs Lawrence Hartt's offer to give our church two tables for the basement. It was voted to accept same. They also offered to donate five folding chairs if the members would buy, through donations, enough to meet the need. Appointed **Dawn Knapp, Alwilda Williams** and **Velora Black** to solicit for donations.

September 13: At the monthly business meeting the following was discussed and acted upon. The church granted permission for a **Rural Bible School** teacher to hold classes in the church. Gave a vote of confidence to the pastor for the way he is handling the recreation for the young people of the church.

The matter of choosing a Deacon was brought up. William Davis' name was mentioned. After discussion it was voted that the deaconess and pastor discuss the matter further.

September 20: A business meeting was held concerning the **Building Fund**. A motion was made and carried to continue the Building Fund until further needed repairs and improvements were completed. A motion was made and carried to increase insurance on the church building to \$5000.00. The Clerk was appointed to contact **Hugh Libby**, Agent, concerning the same. Contact was made September 21 and the application for increased coverage was made.

November 7: A **Fellowship Supper** was held in the basement followed by the service of **Mortgage Burning** in the auditorium. Our distinguished visitors who gave congratulations were **Rev Archibald Craig, Rev John Wannmaker** of Baptist Board of Christian Education, and **Deacon Winston Bartlett** of Danforth Baptist Church. The service represented a climax in our activities of remodeling begun in 1961.

December 5: A surprise awaited **Mr & Mrs Overman** as they arrived for the **BYF**. A group of about thirty had met and prepared a surprise wedding reception for them with a money tree and wedding cake. We extend that wish and prayer for the best of everything to them. May God bless them mightily in their service for Him.

Sum-up: Taken as a whole, I believe we will agree that 1964 had a lot of great spots for our church. Baptisms, mortgage burning, DVBS, special service by CV Overman Sr, gifts from the Hartt's, fellowship suppers, and a wedding. It is our sincere hope that our church shows forth Christ in the lives of its members to those in our community who know Him not.

The Year in Review: 1965

January: At the **Annual Business Meeting** Rev C V Overman was elected Moderator. Reports from all officers were read and accepted.

Report of the Nominating Committee was given and accepted as follows:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Marion Boles**

Asst Treasurer: **Velora Black**

Jr Deacon: **William H Libby**

SS Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Mrs Della Overman**

SS Treasurer: **Sandra Libby**

Asst SS Treasurer: **Alwilda Williams**

Pulpit Comm: **Della Davis, Florence Anderson, Arabelle Weatherbee**

Building Comm: **Marion Libby, Lewis Weatherbee, Clifford Williams, Minnie Williams, Dawn Knapp, Velora Black, Jacqueline Seamans**

Trustees: **William Davis, Lloyd Farrar, William Libby**

It was voted to have a special offering to take care of overdue bills.

Voted a committee of three make a list of ladies to care for the church sanctuary.

Entertainment Committee formed of Sandra Libby and Dawn Knapp, each to serve six months.

Voted to extend an invitation to Rev C V Overman, Sr to have two weeks special services in July.

Voted to have Daily Vacation Bible School this summer.

Happenings: In response to our invitation **Rev & Mrs C V Overman, Sr** arrived July 2 for special services. We were happy to welcome our Cary and Hodgdon friends. A special blessing was felt from the meetings. The attendance was not too encouraging, but God blessed those who came. At the close of the services five people expressed their desire for baptism. After a series of instruction classes for the five people, on August 22 a baptism was held at Deering Lake. **Dale Farrar, Carol Wilcox, Duane Knapp, Perry Knapp** and **Darrell Williams** were baptized. To several, as well as these candidates, this was a red-letter day as many of the young people had never witnessed an outdoor baptism. Previous to the baptism a vote was taken to accept said candidates as members of the church, together with **Hazel Farrar** as a transfer from Topsfield Congregational Church. On August 29 it was voted to accept **Dorothy Wilcox** into our membership.

A very good **Daily Vacation Bible School** was conducted under the leadership and teaching of **Alwilda Williams, Jacqueline Seamans, Ruth Oliver** and **Nancy Anderson**. For closing they had planned a combination DVBS & Sunday school picnic but the weather did not permit going to the lake so we had an indoor picnic followed by one of the best closing services we have ever had.

The following week what had planned to be a fellowship supper turned out, at the last minute, a picnic at Deering Lake. We were glad to welcome Mr & Mrs Overman, Sr as well the Hartt's from Bangor.

We were saddened in September to know that Mr Overman Jr was contemplating finding a full time church. It was with mixed emotions that we looked at it as we realized he should be in full time church service, but still we disliked the thought of losing him and his wife. On **September 14** Mr & Mrs Overman were blessed by the arrival of **Sarah Elizabeth**.

On **October 17** Mr Overman held a **dedication service** at which time **Sarah Elizabeth Overman** and **Craig William Libby** were dedicated.

On **October 30** we had a fellowship supper and goodbye party for the Overmans and on October 31 we bade goodbye. His closing sermon based on John 15 was a challenge to us all.

During the period when Mr Overman was candidating we were fortunate in securing **Rev & Mrs Medley Wry** to hold service. **Bill McDonnell** came for a few Sundays and then **Harold Carpenter** agreed to come at least until spring. We thank the Lord for his decision. As of now we are praying that our church will grow and show forth Christ in our community.

The Year in Review: 1966

January: **The Annual Meeting** was held with Harold Carpenter serving as Moderator and he spoke a message from Hebrews.

Reports were read and accepted.

The Trustees are going to further consider the prospects of ceiling for the basement and what to do about the piano.

It was moved and seconded that we pay Mr Carpenter \$15.00 per week.

A visiting committee was appointed with **Sandra Libby**, chairman, and **Dawn Knapp**.

The report of the nominating committee was accepted as follows:

Pastor: **Harold Carpenter**

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Velora Black**

Asst Treasurer: **William Libby**

Junior Deacons: **William Libby, Clifford Williams**

Trustees: **William Davis, Clifford Williams, William Libby**

Pulpit Comm: **Della Davis, Florence Anderson, Sandra Libby**

Building Comm: **Marion Libby, Louis Weatherbee, Dale Farrar, Minnie Williams, Dawn Knapp, Velora Black, Jacqueline Seamans, Arabelle Weatherbee**

SS Officers: Superintendent: **Alwilda Williams**

Asst Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

Treasurer: **Sandra Libby**

Asst Treasurer: **Velora Black**

Nominating Comm: **Sandra Libby, Minnie Williams, Florence Anderson**

Pianist: **George Parsons**

Highlights: Shortly after our last annual meeting it was made possible to purchase material for the ceiling in the basement. We want to thank "Bill" Davis for his efforts in seeing that the ceiling was installed. Also any and all others who worked on this project. It has added greatly to the appearance of our basement. Then came the problem of water. However it seems that through dipping, patching and praying the problems may be solved.

We had a good **Daily Vacation Bible School** under the direction of our local girls and ladies. The attendance was good as also was our closing program.

A goodly number got to the **Sunday School picnic**. Although the weather drove us inside we were a little cramped for room, nothing more serious than a spill or two took place. We all enjoyed the singspiration with George and his accordin after the supper.

In **September** we were very happy to host the **Maine-New Brunswick Sunday School Rally**. It was a wonderful day. One of the largest rallies in recent years and all who were able to be there received a blessing and a challenge. During the day we were saddened to hear of Mr Crowell and his daughter being in an accident but it caused us to see more vividly how fast accidents - and more serious ones - can happen. On behalf of Nancy and myself, I want to again say "Thank you" for the thoughtfulness of you our fellow members and friends in giving us a going away supper and gift. I would like you to know that we used the money you gave us to buy a lighted picture of the head of Christ which we will always cherish and will be a reminder to us of our friends and neighbors in Amity.

If I have omitted any of the things I should have remembered please overlook it as it has been difficult to keep an accurate record of happenings when I have been away each year for half the year.

May God richly bless Harold and his family as they are so faithful in their ministry here.

The Year in Review: 1967

February 14, 1967: A fellowship supper was followed by the **Annual Business Meeting** with Harold Carpenter as

moderator. Officers reports were given and accepted.

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers which was accepted:

Clerk: **Florence Anderson**

Treasurer: **Mrs Alton Black**

Asst Treasurer: **William Libby**

Deacons: **Clifford Williams, Louis Weatherbee**

Trustees: **William Davis, William Libby, Clifford Williams**

Pulpit Comm: **Mrs William Davis, Mrs Minnie Williams, Mrs Lloyd Farrar**

Building Comm: **Mrs Hugh Libby, Mrs Dawn Knapp, Mrs Alton Black, Mrs Minnie Williams, Mrs Louis Weatherbee**

SS Superintendent: **Mrs Jacqueline Seamans**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Mrs William Libby**

SS Treasurer: **Mrs Clifford Williams**

Asst SS Treasurer: **Mrs Dawn Knapp**

1968 Nominating Comm: **Mrs Clifford Williams, Chairman, Mrs Jacqueline Seamans, Mr William Libby**

Pianist: **George Parsons**

Pastor: **Harold Carpenter**

Visitation: **Mrs William Libby**

It was voted to investigate and inquire into the matter of partitioning the basement. William Libby is to submit a plan for change in lighting in the church sanctuary. Mr Carpenter reminded us that the church will soon need outside painting.

It was voted to elect a **supper committee** of **Della Davis, Minnie Williams, and Jacqueline Seamans**.

It was moved that the Trustees work toward the improvements - such as lighting, putting window, construction of rooms in the basement and painting.

Voted to hold **Daily Vacation Bible School**. **Alwilda Williams** offered to have charge of the same.

Highlights: During the year we were saddened by the announcement that Mr Carpenter would terminate his services due to his work load in other areas. Between **Mr Henderson** and **Aubrey Clark** services have been held regularly. It was with joy we accepted Mr Henderson's decision to remain for a season or until some further arrangements are to be made.

During the year several short business sessions have been held. It was voted to make a \$10.00 donation to the **Mapleton Youth Camp**.

It has been a pleasure to have served as clerk for 27 years. I pray that God will forgive for any errors or omissions I have made in the records during this time. We as a church have had our ups and downs - ins and outs - but we can still claim Gods' promise as found in 1 Corinthians 15:38: "Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

May God bless this church and each member of it until that day when Christ shall come to claim his own.

Florence Anderson, Clerk

The Year in Review: 1968

February 3: The **Annual Meeting** was moderated by supply pastor, **Dallas Henderson**. William Libby brought the meeting

to order with prayer.

It was voted to accept the minutes of the last meeting, all annual reports of officers, accept the slate of officers as presented by the Nominating Committee, and to have a Fellowship Supper at a later date.

The following officers were elected:

Clerk: **Mrs Minnie Williams**

Treasurer: **Mrs Alton Black**

Disregard all numerals in parentheses (). They refer only to tabulation.

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(Church no.—all cards—cols. 1-15)
(Card no.—each card—cols. 16-17)

ANNUAL REPORT FORM FOR THE AMERICAN BAPTIST CONVENTION

For Year beginning 1-1-67 and ending 12-31-67
(Month, day and year) (Month, day and year)

I. Church's name, address, and leadership

1. Amity Baptist
(Corporate Name of Church) (01:19-39)

2. Actual Location of Church

(Number and Street) (01:40-60) Amity (City) (01:61-71)
Maine (State) (01:72-75) 04465 (Zip Code) (01:76-80)

3. Mailing Address of Church if different from actual location

(Number and Street) (02:18-38) (City) (02:39-49)
(Zip Code) (02:50-54)

4. Church's Telephone Number: (Area code) (02:55-64)

5. Year Church Began: 1863 (02:65-68)

6. Name of Your Local Association So. Area Assoc. (03:19-39)

7. Total Value of All Church Property (include parsonage): 5520
(03:40-47)

8. Is your church a federated church? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (03:48)

Is your church a "community church"
(serving more than one denomination)? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (03:49)

Is your church a dually-aligned church? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (03:50)

9. Pastor's name Dallas Henderson (04:19-39)

10. Pastor's home address 17 Franklin St. (04:40-60)

Houlton Me. (City) (04:61-71) (State) (04:72-75) 04730 (Zip Code) (04:76-80)

207-532-6669 (PHONE NUMBER including area code) (05:18-28)

NOTE: If you have called a pastor, but he has not moved to your church, list him as your pastor. If pastor left during the year and no new pastor has been called, leave blank.

11. Pastor's preferred mailing address: Home ☒ Church ☐

12. Pastor began ministry in your church in: 10/67 (05:29-43)
(Give name of month and year)

13. Church has interim. Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (05:44)

14. Other Paid Staff (Professional)

a. NONE Title Name Full time Part time
(Check one)

Address: _____

b. _____

Address: _____

c. If others, attach additional sheet.

15. Give the name and mailing address of the following officers and leaders in your church. Please give complete address to meet postal requirements. If church does not have the officers listed, indicate this by writing "None" in the blank. If new officers are to take office by January 31, give their names.

a. Church Moderator NONE
(Name) (06:19-39)

(No. & Street) (06:40-60) (City) (06:61-71) (State) (06:72-75) (Zip Code) (06:76-80)

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b. Church Clerk: Mrs. Minnie Williams
(Name) (07:19-39)

No. Amity Mine 04465
(No. & Street) (07:40-60) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(07:61-71) (07:72-75) (07:76-80)

c. Church Treasurer: Mrs. Velora Black
(Name) (08:19-39)

No. Amity Me. 04465
(No. & Street) (08:40-60) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(08:61-71) (08:72-75) (08:76-80)

d. Benevolence Treasurer
(if not church treasurer): NONE
(Name) (09:19-39)

(No. & Street) (09:40-60) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(09:61-71) (09:72-75) (09:76-80)

e. Church School Superintendent: Mrs. Jacqueline Somons
(Name) (10:19-39)

No. Amity Me. 04465
(No. & Street) (10:40-60) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(10:61-71) (10:72-75) (10:76-80)

f. Chairman, Board of Deacons: Clifford Williams
(Name) (11:19-39)

No. Amity Me. 04465
(No. & Street) (11:40-60) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(11:61-71) (11:72-75) (11:76-80)

g. Chairman, Board of Trustees: William Davis
(Name) (12:19-39)

No. Amity Me. 04465
(No. & Street) (12:40-60) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(12:61-71) (12:72-75) (12:76-80)

h. Chairman, Board of
Christian Education: NONE
(Name) (13:19-39)

(No. & Street) (13:40-60) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(13:61-71) (13:72-75) (13:76-80)

II. Church's Membership

NOTE: Due to difficulty in separating statistics for Baptist members in federated, community and dually aligned churches, we suggest that total figures be given.

16. Total membership as of December 31*: 63
(14:18-22)
17. Total membership of previous year: 64
(14:23-27)
18. Resident membership as of Dec. 31*: 28
(14:28-32)
19. Nonresident membership as of Dec. 31*: 36
(14:33-37)
20. This year's average attendance at Sunday morning worship: 28
(14:38-41)
21. Average attendance at Sunday evening worship: No Service
(14:42-45)
22. Total new members received this report year by:
a. Baptism -
(14:46-48)
b. Transfer of Letter -
(14:49-51)
c. Other -
(14:52-54)
23. Total members lost this report year by:
a. Transfer of Letter 1
(14:55-57)
b. Death -
(14:58-60)
c. Other -
(14:61-63)
24. Sunday Church School figures:
a. Enrollment as of December 31* 35
(14:64-67)
b. Number of teachers as of Dec. 31* 6
(14:68-71)
c. Average attendance of pupils, officers and teachers for this report year 25
(14:72-75)
25. Other enrollments as of December 31*:
a. Woman's Society 5
(15:18-20)
b. Men's Fellowship -
(15:21-24)
c. Youth Groups -
(15:25-26)
d. Baptist Evening Fellowship -
(15:27-30)

III. Your Church's Financial Stewardship Record

When entering figures, round out to whole dollars.
If the answer is none, draw a line through the space provided.

26. Total income received. (All sources.) \$ 1613.XX (16:18-23)
27. Income from Endowment or Invested Funds only. \$ —XX (16:24-29)
28. Total expended for current local expenses. (Do not include building fund or missions.) \$ 1171XX (16:30-35)
29. Total contributed to capital improvements or the church's building fund. \$ —XX (16:36-41)
30. Do you contribute to the AMERICAN BAPTIST MISSION BUDGET? (Formerly called the "Unified Budget")? Yes ☒ 1 No ☐ 2 (16:42)
- Indicate below the sections in which you participate:
- a. Undesignated Gifts Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (16:43)
- b. Love Gifts of Woman's Society Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (16:44)
- c. America for Christ Offering Yes ☒ 1 No ☐ 2 (16:45)
- d. World Fellowship Offering Yes ☒ 1 No ☐ 2 (16:46)
- e. Designated Gifts Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (16:47)
- f. Children's Day Offering Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (16:48)
- g. M&M Communion Fellowship Offering Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (16:49)
- h. Institutional Support Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (16:50)
- i. Specifics Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (16:51)
- j. Campaigns for ABC Work Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (16:52)
31. Total amount contributed to the AMERICAN BAPTIST MISSION BUDGET. \$ 409.72XX (16:53-58)
32. Amount contributed to all Non-ABC Benevolences. (Do not include questions 27, 28, and 31.) \$ 1300XX (16:59-63)
33. Did your church receive financial aid from the American Baptist Home Mission Societies? (Do not include loans.) Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (16:64)
34. Did your church receive financial aid from your State Convention or City Society or Association? (Do not include loans.) Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (16:65)
35. Which budget system did your church use this report year? (Check all that apply.)
- a. A single budget (one pledge for entire church program?) ☐ 1 (16:66)

- b. A dual budget (one pledge for local expenses and one pledge for missions). ☐ 2 (16:66)
- c. A dual budget (one pledge for local expenses and one pledge for building fund). ☐ 3 (16:66)
- d. A triple budget (one pledge for local expenses, one for missions, one for building fund). ☐ 4 (16:66)
- e. Church does not operate on any type of budget. ☒ 5 (16:66)

36. In which of the following did your church participate? (Check all that apply.)

- a. Complete Every Member Canvass ☐ 1 (16:67)
- b. Partial Every Member Canvass ☐ 2 (16:67)
- c. Complete Tithing Enlistment Program ☐ 1 (16:68)
- d. Partial Tithing Enlistment Program ☐ 2 (16:68)
- e. No organized financial program as such ☒ 1 (16:69)

IV. Pastor's Compensation and Expenses

(If your church has more than one pastor, record information for Senior Pastor on this form and type information for additional pastors on separate sheet.)

37. Actual Compensation and Allowances paid by church: (Round off to whole dollars.)

- A. Compensation
- a. Pastor's Cash Salary (Give amount in budget for the year if no pastor.) \$ 785XX (17:18-22)
- b. Utilities Allowance \$ NONEXX (17:23-26)
- c. Housing Allowance. (If possible, estimate rental value of parsonage.) \$ NONEXX (17:27-30)
- d. Does your church provide a parsonage? Yes ☐ 1 (17:31)
No ☒ 2 (17:31)
- B. Professional Expenses
- a. Car Allowance \$ NONEXX (17:32-35)
- b. Convention Expenses \$ NONEXX (17:36-39)
38. Does your church provide its pastor with a study leave, in addition to an annual vacation? Yes ☐ 1 (17:40)
No ☒ 2 (17:40)

V. Christian Education Information

39. Does your church offer special programming for the aging? Yes ☐ 1 (17:41)
No ☒ 2 (17:41)
40. In your service to the aging, how many non-members are served? (Place a check in the proper box.)
- | | |
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| 1-10 ☐ 1 (17:42) | 31-50 ☐ 4 (17:42) |
| 11-20 ☐ 2 (17:42) | Over 50 ☐ 5 (17:42) |
| 21-30 ☐ 3 (17:42) | None ☒ 6 (17:42) |

41. Membership in Sunday Church School by Department and/or Age Group. (Place a check mark (✓) in the square in each row that indicates proper enrollment. Do not give figures.)

Departments and Ages	None	(1) 1-5 Persons	(2) 6-10 Persons	(3) 11-15 Persons	(4) 16-20 Persons	(5) 21-25 Persons	(6) 26-30 Persons	(7) 31-35 Persons	(8) 36-40 Persons	(9) 41-45 Persons	(10) 46-50 Persons	(X) 50+ Persons	(12)
NURSERY (Birth to 3 years)	✓												(18:18)
KINDERGARTEN (4-5 years)		✓											(18:19)
PRIMARY * (Grades 1-3)			✓										(18:20)
MIDDLER* (Grades 3-4)	✓												(18:21)
JUNIOR * (Grades 4-6)			✓										(18:22)
JUNIOR HIGH (Grades 7-9)		✓											(18:23)
SENIOR HIGH (Grades 10-12)	✓												(18:24)
ADULT (18-22 years)	✓												(18:25)
ADULT (22 years and above)		✓											(18:26)

* If your church has a Middler Dept., do not count 3rd grade in Primary Dept. or 4th grade in Junior Dept.

42. A. Number of Teachers in Each Department
(Write number in space provided.)

Nursery	1	(18:27-28)
Kindergarten	1	(18:29-30)
Primary	1	(18:31-32)
Middler	1	(18:33-34)
Junior	1	(18:35-36)
Junior High	1	(18:37-38)
Senior High	1	(18:39-40)
Adult (18-22 yrs.)	1	(18:41-42)
Adult (Age 22 & Above)	1	(18:43-44)

B. If you have more than one department for any of these groups, please check the proper box below: (Use check (✓) mark only.)

NUMBER OF DEPARTMENTS

	2	3	4	5 or more	
Nursery					(18:45)
Kindergarten					(18:46)
Primary					(18:47)
Middler					(18:48)
Junior					(18:49)
Junior High					(18:50)
Senior High					(18:51)
Adult (18-22 years)					(18:52)
Adult (22 years and above)					(18:53)

43. Christian Education materials used by your church
(Check the squares that indicate the curriculum materials and the departments in which they are used. The darkened areas indicate age groups for which the listed curriculum materials do not apply.)

CURRICULUM MATERIALS

Departments or classes using the materials	American Baptist Uniform Lessons	Judson Graded Lessons	Judson Electives for Young Adults and Adults	Baptist Evening Fellowship Series	Judson Vacation Church School Texts	Cooperative Vacation Church School Texts	American Baptist Story Papers and Magazines	Cooperative Weekday Church School Texts	Recommended School of Missions Materials	Alternate Adult Curriculum
NURSERY		(19:18)		(19:19)	(19:20)					
KINDERGARTEN		(19:21)		(19:22)	(19:23)	(19:24)			(19:25)	
PRIMARY	(19:26)	(19:27)		(19:28)	(19:29)	(19:30)	(19:31)	(19:32)	(19:33)	
MIDDLER		(19:34)			(19:35)			(19:36)	(19:37)	
JUNIORS	(19:38)	(19:39)		(19:40)	(19:41)	(19:42)	(19:43)	(19:44)	(19:45)	
JUNIOR HIGH	(19:46)	(19:47)		(19:48)	(19:49)		(19:50)	(19:51)	(19:52)	
SENIOR HIGH	(19:53)	(19:54)		(19:55)			(19:56)	(19:57)	(19:58)	
YOUNG ADULT	(19:59)		(19:60)	(19:61)			(19:62)		(19:63)	
ADULT	(19:64)		(19:65)	(19:66)			(19:67)		(19:68)	(19:69)
HOME DEPT.	(19:70)						(19:71)			(19:72)

44. If your church uses curriculum materials produced by another publisher, check the square(s) below that show the publisher's name and the age group with which the materials are used. (Use check (✓) mark only.)

	(1) Episcopalian	(2) Presbyterian US	(3) So. Baptist Convention	(4) United Church of Christ	(5) United Presbyterian USA	(6) David C. Cook	(7) Gospel Light	(8) Scripture Press	(9) Standard	(10) Union Gospel Press	(X) Other.....
Preschool Children (Birth through 5 yrs.)								✓			(20:18)
Elementary Age (Grades 1-6 or ages 6-12)								✓			(20:19)
Youth (Grades 7-12 or ages 12-18)								✓			(20:20)
Young Adult (Ages 18-22)											(20:21)
Adult (Age 22 & Above)								✓			(20:22)

45. Baptist Evening Fellowship
(Indicate average attendance for departments listed below. If no group, draw a line.)

Nursery (up to 3 yrs.)	.....	(20:23-24)
Kindergarten (4 and 5 yrs.)	.....	(20:25-26)
Primary (6 and 7 yrs.)	.....	(20:27-28)
Middler (8 and 9 yrs.)	.....	(20:29-30)
Junior (10 and 11 yrs.)	.....	(20:31-33)
Junior High (12-14 yrs.)	.....	(20:34-36)
Senior High (15-17 yrs.)	.....	(20:37-39)
Adult (18-22 yrs.)	.....	(20:40-42)
Student	.....	(20:43-45)
Adult (22 yrs. and above)	.....	(20:46-48)

46. Number of members of local church:

a. Attending a college or university within your state *None*
(20:49-51)

b. Attending a college or university outside your state *None*
(20:52-54)

47. Does your church have a church library? Yes ☐ 1 (20:55)
No ☒ 2 (20:55)

48. Did your church have a planning conference for church officers and
leaders this year? Yes ☐ 1 (20:56)
No ☒ 2 (20:56)

VI. Ministry of Witness

49. What evangelistic ministry was included in your church program?
(Check all that apply.)

Preaching Mission	☐ 1	(20:57)
An intensive period of visitation evangelism	☐ 1	(20:58)
Year-round visitation evangelism	☐ 1	(20:59)
Revival — special meetings	☐ 1	(20:60)
"Church-in-the-World" study groups for persons with common occupation	☐ 1	(20:61)
"Church-in-the-World" study groups based on common involvement in an issue	☐ 1	(20:62)
The Church in the Home	☐ 1	(20:63)

50. Has your church taken any official action on or become involved with
the following problems:

Housing?	Yes ☐ 1	No ☒ 2	(20:64)
Civil Rights?	Yes ☐ 1	No ☒ 2	(20:65)
Juvenile Delinquency?	Yes ☐ 1	No ☒ 2	(20:66)
Politics?	Yes ☐ 1	No ☒ 2	(20:67)
Gambling?	Yes ☐ 1	No ☒ 2	(20:68)
Poverty?	Yes ☐ 1	No ☒ 2	(20:69)
Public Education?	Yes ☐ 1	No ☒ 2	(20:70)
Public Health & Welfare?	Yes ☐ 1	No ☒ 2	(20:71)
Other?	Yes ☐ 1	No ☒ 2	(20:72)

51. Has your church:

a. Received as members, persons of various racial backgrounds?
Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (20:73)

b. Elected to church office persons of a minority racial or
cultural group? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (20:74)

c. Increased the proportion of members representing other than dom-
inant racial group in the community? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (20:75)

REMARKS: (Describe evangelistic ministry and actions taken. i.e. 49
and 50.)

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ADDITIONAL DIRECTORY

Please give name and mailing address of the following church leaders and officers. If new officers are to take up their duties by January 31, give their names and not the present officers. If your church does not have such a position filled, indicate by writing the word "None" in the blank.

NAME OF CHAIRMAN
(OR PRESIDENT) ADDRESS (Please give number & street, city
and state, and zip code.)

1. NONE
Christian Social Action
2. NONE
Education for Mission
3. NONE
World Mission Support
4. NONE
Evangelism
5. NONE
Finance
6. NONE
Group Responsible for
Annual Budget
7. NONE
Men's Fellowship
8. Mrs Dawn Knapp No. Amity, Me. 04465
Women's Society
9. NONE
Youth Group
10. George Parsons No. Amity, Me. 04465
Church Organist
11. NONE
Choir Director
12. Mrs Clifford Williams No. Amity, Me. 04465
Purchaser of Church
School Materials

Please list ordained ministers and missionaries related to the American Baptist Convention (other than your pastors) who are members of the congregation. Attach a separate sheet for listing if more than three.

NAME

ADDRESS

1.
2.
3.

When completed return to:
CITY SOCIETY OR STATE CONVENTION OFFICE

NOTE: Please attach list of all other officers and leaders.

Asst Treasurer: **Mr William Libby**
 Deacons: **Clifford Williams, William Libby**
 Trustees: **William Davis, William Libby, Clifford Williams**
 Pulpit Comm: **Mrs. Alton Black, Mr Clifford Williams, Mrs Jacqueline Seamans**
 Building Comm: **Mrs. Hugh Libby, Mrs Dawn Knapp, Mrs Alton Black, Mrs Minnie William, Mr Louis Weatherbee**
 SS Superintendent: **Mrs. Jacqueline Seamans**
 Asst SS Superintendent: **Mrs William Libby**
 SS Treasurer: **Mrs Clifford Williams**
 Asst SS Treasurer: **Mrs Dawn Knapp**
 1969 Nominating Committee: **Mrs Clifford Williams, Mrs William Libby, Mrs Dawn Knapp**
 Pianist: **George Parsons**
 Asst Pianist: **Della Davis**
 Supper Comm: **Mrs Minnie Williams, Mrs Della Davis, Mrs Louis Weatherbee**

Voted to have one week of **Daily Vacation Bible School** this summer.

March 3: Had a short business meeting after church. Voted to have **Ed Vickrey** as supply pastor for March 10, March 17, March 24, March 31 and April 7.

Sent a 'sunshine basket' to Woodrow Farrar.

April 7: In a short business meeting a letter was read from Eastern Maine Electrical Co-op with a new rate offer that would save our church some money. It was voted to accept the same. It will save the church from \$10 to \$14 each billing cycle.

April 14: Had a lovely program and large crowd (78 people) **Easter Sunday**.
 Having **prayer meeting** at 7 pm and **Young People** at 7:30 pm each Tuesday night.

May 18: **Mr Vickrey, Paul McKinney and Clifford Williams** furnished cars and took the **Young People** to Beechwood Power Plant 100 miles north of Fredericton, New Brunswick. On their return they had a cookout at the Orient Picnic Area.

June 9: Had a nice program and large crowd (58) for **Children's Day**.

June 22: **Mr Vickrey** and others of our group took the young people on a tour of the pulp and paper mill at East Millinocket. All enjoyed the trip very much.

June 24: **Daily Vacation Bible School** began today and will run for one week.

June 30: A short business meeting was held after church at which time it was voted to write to the East Millinocket Baptist Church for Mr Vickrey's letter of transfer.
 It was also voted to pay part of the cost of sending the children to the Baptist Camp at Mapleton, Maine. We voted to discontinue Prayer Meeting for the time being and devote the whole hour to the Youth Group. Our **Daily Vacation Bible School program** tonight was very good. **Mrs Alwilda Williams** was in charge for the week, assisted by **Sandra Libby, Jacqueline Seamans and Marie Peabody**. We are grateful to them for the work they did to make this a success.

July 7: At a short business, the church voted to donate \$10.00 to the Mapleton Youth Camp.

July 14: We were pleased to have **Mr & Mrs Overman and Sarah**, and **Mr & Mrs David Hightower** visit our church.

July 21: Mr Overman supplied for us as Mr Vickrey was away.

August 4: Mr Vickrey held a **Baptism at Deering Lake** at Florence Anderson's camp which was followed by a picnic supper. Four were baptised: **Glenda Little, Charley Little, Glen Williams and Cindy Hall**; they were later received in membership of the church. Mrs Vickrey joined us for this celebration.

August 6: We had our **Sunday School Picnic** at the church because of the weather. All had a good time and the supper was delicious.

October 22: The **Youth Group** had a halloween party at the Grange Hall. All had a good time.

December 22: Enjoyed a very lovely Christmas program; especially the play put on by Dawn Knapp.

Disregard all numerals in parentheses (). They refer only to tabulation.

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ANNUAL REPORT FORM FOR THE AMERICAN BAPTIST CONVENTION

For Year beginning 1-1-68 and ending 12-31-68
(Month, day and year) (Month, day and year)

I. Church's name, address, and leadership

1. Amity Baptist
(Corporate Name of Church) (01:18-41)

2. Actual Location of Church
(Number and Street) (01:42-64) Amity (City) (01:65-80)

MAINE (State) (02:18-19) 04445 (Zip Code) (02:20-24)

3. Mailing Address of Church if different from actual location
(Number and Street) (02:25-48) (City) (02:49-65)
(Zip Code) (02:66-70)

4. Church's Telephone Number: _____ (02:71-80)
(Give Area Code)

5. a. Is your church incorporated? Yes ☐ 1 (03:18)
No ☐ 2 (03:18)

b. Year Church Incorporated: 1863 (03:19-22)

c. Church Annual Meeting: FEB. (03:23-33)
(Month)

6. Name of Your Association: _____ (03:34-54)

7. a. Total Value of All Church Property
(include parsonage): _____ (03:55-62)

b. Total Indebtedness: _____ (03:63-72)

8. Is your church a federated church? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (03:73)

Is your church a "community Church"
(serving more than one denomination)? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (03:74)

Is your church a dually-aligned church? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (03:75)

NOTE: If you have called a pastor, but he has not moved to your church, list him as your pastor. If pastor left during the year and no new pastor has been called, leave blank.

9. Pastor's Name Edward Vickrey (04:18-39)

10. Pastor's home address _____ (04:40-60)
(Number and Street)

MEDWAY (City) (04:61-73) ME (State) (04:74-75) _____ (Zip Code) (04:76-80)
207-744-3778 (05:18-28)
(PHONE NUMBER including area code)

11. Pastor's preferred mailing address: Home ☒ Church ☐

12. Pastor began ministry in your church in: MAR. 68 (05:29-43)
(Give name of month and year)

13. Church has interim. Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (05:44)

14. Other Paid Staff (Professional)

Title	Name	Full Time	Part Time
a. <u>none</u>			
Address: _____			

b. If others, attach additional sheet.

15. Give the name and mailing address of the following officers and leaders in your church. Please give complete address to meet postal requirements. If church does not have the officers listed, indicate this by writing "None" in the blank. If new officers are to take office by January 31, give their names. Please use two letter abbreviations for states.

a. Church Moderator none (06:18-39)
(Name)

(No. & Street) (06:40-60) (City) (06:61-73) (State) (06:74-75) (Zip Code) (06:76-80)

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b. Church Clerk: Minnie Williams
(Name) (07:18-39)

(No. & Street) (07:40-60) Amity ME (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(07:61-73) (07:74-75) (07:76-80)

c. Church Treasurer: VELORA BLACK
(Name) (08:18-39)

(No. & Street) (08:40-60) Amity ME (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(08:61-73) (08:74-75) (08:76-80)

d. Benevolence Treasurer
(if not church treasurer): none
(Name) (09:18-39)

(No. & Street) (09:40-60) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(09:61-73) (09:74-75) (09:76-80)

e. Church School Superintendent: MRS JACQUELINE SEAMANS
(Name) (10:18-39)

(No. & Street) (10:40-60) Amity ME (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(10:61-73) (10:74-75) (10:76-80)

f. Chairman, Board of Deacons: Clifford Williams
(Name) (11:18-39)

(No. & Street) (11:40-60) Amity ME (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(11:61-73) (11:74-75) (11:76-80)

g. Chairman, Board of Trustees: William Davis
(Name) (12:18-39)

(No. & Street) (12:40-60) Amity ME (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(12:61-73) (12:74-75) (12:76-80)

h. Chairman, Board of
Christian Education: none
(Name) (13:18-39)

(No. & Street) (13:40-60) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
(13:61-73) (13:74-75) (13:76-80)

II. Church's Membership

NOTE: Due to difficulty in separating statistics for Baptist members in federated, community and dually aligned churches, we suggest that total figures be given.

16. Total membership as of December 31*: 67
(14:18-22)

17. Total membership of previous year. 63
(14:23-27)

18. Resident membership as of Dec. 31*: 28
(14:28-32)

19. Nonresident membership as of Dec. 31*: 39
(14:33-37)

20. This year's average attendance at Sunday morning worship. 18.13
(14:38-41)

21. Average attendance at Sunday evening worship. no service
(14:42-45)

22. Total new members received this report year by:
a. Baptism 4
(14:46-48)

b. Transfer of Letter 1
(14:49-51)

c. Other —
(14:52-54)

23. Total members lost this report year by:
a. Transfer of Letter —
(14:55-57)

b. Death 1
(14:58-60)

c. Other —
(14:61-63)

24. Sunday Church School figures:
a. Enrollment as of December 31* 25
(14:64-67)

b. Number of teachers as of Dec. 31* 5
(14:68-71)

c. Average attendance of pupils, officers and teachers for this report year 23
(14:72-75)

25. Other enrollments as of December 21*:
a. Woman's Society 7
(15:18-20)

b. Men's Fellowship —
(15:21-24)

c. Youth Groups —
(15:25-26)

d. Baptist Evening Fellowship —
(15:27-30)

*December 31 for this report year.

III. Your Church's Financial Stewardship Record

When entering figures, round out to whole dollars.
If the answer is none, draw a line through the space provided.

26. Total income received. (All sources.) \$ 1551 .XX (16:18-23)
27. Income from Endowment or Invested Funds only. \$ — .XX (16:24-29)
28. Total expended for current local expenses. (Do not include building fund or missions.) \$ 342 .XX (16:30-35)
29. Total contributed to capital improvements or the church's building fund. \$ — .XX (16:36-41)
30. Total amount contributed to the AMERICAN BAPTIST MISSION BUDGET. \$ 405 .XX (16:42-47)
- Indicate below amount given:
- a. Love Gifts of Woman's Society \$ — .XX
- b. Undesignated Gifts \$ 331 .XX
- c. America for Christ Offering \$ 23 .XX
- d. World Fellowship Offering \$ 18 .XX
- e. Designated Gifts \$ 33 .XX
- f. Children's Day Offering \$ — .XX
- g. M&M Communion Fellowship Offering \$ — .XX
- h. Institutional Support \$ — .XX
- i. Specifics \$ — .XX
- j. Campaigns for ABC Work \$ — .XX
31. Amount contributed to Non-ABC Benevolences. \$ — .XX (16:48-52)
32. Did your church receive financial aid from the the American Baptist Home Mission Societies? Yes ☐ 1 (16:53)
No ☒ 2 (16:53)
33. Did your church receive financial aid from your State Convention or City Society or Association? (Do not include loans.) Yes ☐ 1 (16:54)
No ☒ 2 (16:54)
34. Did your church receive aid from the National Salary Support Program? Yes ☐ 1 (16:55)
No ☒ 2 (16:55)
35. Which budget system did your church use this report year? (Check all that apply.)
- a. A single budget (one pledge for entire church program). ☒ 1 (16:56)
- b. A dual budget (one pledge for local expenses and one pledge for wider missions). ☐ 2 (16:56)

- c. A dual budget (one pledge for local expenses and one pledge for building fund). ☐ 3 (16:56)
- d. A triple budget (one pledge for local expenses, one for missions, one for building fund). ☐ 4 (16:56)
- e. Church does not operate on any type of budget. ☒ 5 (16:56)

36. In which of the following did your church participate? (Check all that apply)

- a. Complete Every Member Canvass ☐ 1 (16:57)
- b. Partial Every Member Canvass ☐ 2 (16:57)
- c. Complete Percentage Giving Program ☐ 1 (16:58)
- d. Partial Percentage Giving Program ☐ 2 (16:58)
- e. No organized financial program as such ☒ 1 (16:59)

IV. Pastor's Compensation and Expenses

(If your church has more than one pastor, record information for Senior Pastor on this form and give information for additional pastors on separate sheet.)

37. Actual Compensation and Allowances paid by church: (Round off to whole dollars.)

- A. Parsonage
Does your church provide a parsonage? Yes ☐ 1 (17:18)
No ☒ 2 (17:18)
- B. Compensation
a. Pastor's Cash Salary (Give amount in budget for the year if no pastor.) \$ 735 .XX (17:19-23)
- b. Housing Allowance (If possible, estimate rental value of parsonage.) \$ — .XX (17:24-27)
- c. Utilities Allowance \$ — .XX (17:28-31)
- d. M&M Pension and Health Plan \$ — .XX
- C. Professional Expenses
a. Car Allowance \$ — .XX (17:32-35)
- b. Convention Expenses \$ — .XX (17:36-39)
- c. Continuing Education Expenses \$ — .XX (17:40-44)

38. Does your church provide its pastor with a study leave, in addition to an annual vacation? Yes ☐ 1 (17:45)
No ☒ 2 (17:45)

V. Christian Education Information

39. Does your church offer special programming for the aging? Yes ☐ 1 (17:46)
No ☒ 2 (17:46)

40. In your service to the aging, how many non-members are served? (Place a check in the proper box.)

- 1-10 ☐ 1 (17:47)
- 11-20 ☐ 2 (17:47)
- 21-30 ☐ 3 (17:47)
- 31-50 ☐ 4 (17:47)
- Over 50 ☐ 5 (17:47)
- None ☒ 6 (17:47)

41. Membership in Sunday Church School. (Write figure in blank or write "None" if it applies.)

Nursery (Birth to 3 years)	 <u>none</u>	(18:18-20)
Kindergarten (4-5 years)	 <u>5</u>	(18:21-23)
Primary (Grades 1-2)	 <u>3</u>	(18:24-26)
Middler (Grades 3-4)	 <u>none</u>	(18:27-29)
Junior (Grades 5-6)	 <u>7</u>	(18:30-32)
Junior High (Grades 7-9)	 <u>none</u>	(18:33-35)
Senior High (Grades 10-12)	 <u>5</u>	(18:39-41)
Adult (18-22 years)	 <u>none</u>	(18:42-44)
Adult (23 years and above)	 <u>4</u>	(18:45-47)

42. A. Number of Teachers (Write figure in blank or write "None" if it applies)

Nursery	 <u>none</u>	(18:48-49)
Kindergarten	 <u>1</u>	(18:50-51)
Primary	 <u>1</u>	(18:52-53)
Middler	 <u>none</u>	(18:54-55)
Junior	 <u>none</u>	(18:56-57)

Junior High	 <u>none</u>	(18:58-59)
Senior High	 <u>1</u>	(18:62-63)
Adult (18-22)	 <u>none</u>	(18:64-65)
Adult (23 & above)	 <u>1</u>	(18:66-67)

42. B. How many Departments for each of these groups?

(A department is usually made up of 2 or more church school classes in the same age group. Write the figure in the blanks below to show the number of departments for each of your age groups. If you have only one class for any age group, write "X" in the blank. If you have no class for any age group, write "None" in the blank. Otherwise indicate the number of departments.)

Nursery	 <u>none</u>	(18:68)
Kindergarten	 <u>X</u>	(18:69)
Primary	 <u>X</u>	(18:70)
Middler	 <u>none</u>	(18:71)
Junior	 <u>X</u>	(18:72)
Junior High	 <u>none</u>	(18:73)
Senior High	 <u>X</u>	(18:75)
Adult (18-22)	 <u>none</u>	(18:76)
Adult (23 & above)	 <u>X</u>	(18:77)

43. Christian Education materials used by your church
(Check the squares that indicate the curriculum materials and the departments in which they are used. The darkened areas indicate age groups for which the listed curriculum materials do not apply.)

CURRICULUM MATERIALS

Departments or classes using the materials	American Baptist Uniform Lessons	Judson Graded Lessons	Judson Electives for Young Adults and Adults	Baptist Evening Fellowship Series	Judson Vacation Church School Texts	Cooperative Vacation Church School Texts	American Baptist Story Papers and Magazines	Cooperative Weekday Church School Texts	Recommended School of Missions Materials	Alternate Adult Curriculum
NURSERY		(19:18)		(19:19)	(19:20)					
KINDERGARTEN		(19:21)		(19:22)	(19:23)	(19:24)			(19:25)	
PRIMARY	(19:26)	(19:27)		(19:28)	(19:29)	(19:30)	(19:31)	(19:32)	(19:33)	
MIDDLER		(19:34)			(19:35)			(19:36)	(19:37)	
JUNIORS	(19:38)	(19:39)		(19:40)	(19:41)	(19:42)	(19:43)	(19:44)	(19:45)	
JUNIOR HIGH	(19:46)	(19:47)		(19:48)	(19:49)		(19:50)	(19:51)	(19:52)	
SENIOR HIGH	(19:53)	(19:54)		(19:55)			(19:56)	(19:57)	(19:58)	
YOUNG ADULT	(19:59)		(19:60)	(19:61)			(19:62)		(19:63)	
ADULT	(19:64)		(19:65)	(19:66)			(19:67)		(19:68)	(19:69)
HOME DEPT.	(19:70)						(19:71)			(19:72)

44. If your church uses curriculum materials produced by another publisher, check the square(s) below that show the publisher's name and the age group with which the materials are used. (Use check (✓) mark only.)

	(1) Episcopalian	(2) Presbyterian US	(3) So. Baptist Convention	(4) United Church of Christ	(5) United Presbyterian USA	(6) David C. Cook	(7) Gospel Light	(8) Scripture Press	(9) Standard	(10) Union Gospel Press	(X) Other
Preschool Children (Birth through 5 yrs.)								X			(20:18)
Elementary Age (Grades 1-6 or ages 6-12)								X			(20:19)
Youth (Grades 7-12 or ages 12-18)								X			(20:20)
Young Adult (Ages 18-22)											(20:21)
Adult (Age 22 & Above)								X			(20:22)

45. Number of members of local church:

a. Attending an ABC-related college or university.

(20:23-25)

b. Attending other private or church related college or university.

(20:26-28)

c. Attending public supported college or university.

(20:29-31)

VI. Ministry of Witness

46. Does your church have a program of ministry of witness related to the following:

- A. Evangelism through Preaching
- | | Yes | No | |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Did your church have a Preaching Mission? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:32) |
| Did your church have a Revival? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:33) |

- B. Evangelism through Visitation
- | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Did your church have an intensive period of visitation? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:34) |
| Did your church have a year round program of visitation? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:35) |

- C. Evangelism through Small groups
- | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Did your church have fellowship or "encounter" groups? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:36) |
| Did your church have study groups? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:37) |
| Did your church have task forces? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:38) |

- D. Evangelism through Community Action
- | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Did your church as a congregation participate in the witness of community action? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:39) |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|

- E. Evangelism through Cooperative Action
- | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| Did your church as a congregation engage in cooperative action with other congregations or groups? | ☒ 1 | ☐ 2 | (20:40) |
|--|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|

- F. Did your church have no organized program for ministry of witness?
- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------|
| ☒ 1 | — | (20:41) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------|

47. Has your church taken any official action or sponsored activities related to the Convention Resolutions dealing with the following issues:

	Yes	No	Did Not Know There Was A Resolution	
The War against Poverty	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:42)
The Generation Gap	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:43)
The Role of U.S. in World Affairs	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:44)
The Arms Race	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:45)
Abortion	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:46)
Family Life	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:47)
Open Housing	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:48)
Conscientious Objection to War	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:49)
Alcoholism and Narcotics Addiction	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:50)
The Crisis in the Cities	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:51)
Justice for Indian Americans	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:52)
Vietnam	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:53)
Christian Unity	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:54)
Public Education	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:55)
No action taken on Resolutions	☒ 1	—	—	(20:56)

48. Did your church have a planning conference for church officers and leaders this year?

Yes ☒ 1 (20:57)

No ☐ 2 (20:57)

49. Based on its reported resident membership, each church is sent literature to use with the three annual offerings. Check how your church used the materials.

	For educational purposes only	To promote and receive the offerings	Not at all	
America for Christ	☒ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:58)
World Fellowship	☒ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:59)
Communion Fellowship	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:60)

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ADDITIONAL DIRECTORY

Please give name and mailing address of the following church leaders and officers. If new officers are to take up their duties by January 31, give their names and not the present officers. If your church does not have such a position filled, indicate by writing the word "None" in the blank.

NAME OF CHAIRMAN
(OR PRESIDENT)

ADDRESS

1. Education for Mission (21:18-39) No. & Street (21:40-60)
City (21:61-73) State (21:74-75) Zip (21:76-80)
2. Christian Social Action
3. World Mission Support
4. Evangelism
5. Finance
6. Group Responsible for Annual Budget
7. Men's Fellowship or Key Layman
8. DAWN KNAPP No. AMITY ME
Women's Society
9. EDWARD VICKREY MEDWAY ME
Youth Group
10. GEORGE PARSONS No AMITY ME
Church Organist
11. ALWILDA WILLIAMS No AMITY ME
Choir Director
12. DUANE KNAPP No AMITY ME
Church Organist
13. ALWILDA WILLIAMS No AMITY ME
Purchaser of Church School Materials

NOTE: Please attach list of all other officers and leaders.

Please list ordained ministers and missionaries related to the American Baptist Convention (other than your pastors) who are members of the congregation. Attach a separate sheet for listing if more than three.

NAME

ADDRESS

1. none
2. none
3. none

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CITY SOCIETY OR STATE CONVENTION OFFICE

We are grateful to have had **George Parsons and Duane Knapp** as pianists, and **Della Davis** who acted as their assistant. We owe them special thanks. Also special thanks to Mr Vickrey for being so faithful in ministering to us. Now, may God bless all members of the church and community in the year 1969.

Minnie Williams, Clerk

The Year in Review: 1969

Church Membership: Non-Resident: (Key: Die=death date, Dis=transfer to other church, ~~Floris~~=left church)

Virginia Hempstead	Mrs Martha Knapp	Floyd Lycette
Geraldine Smart	Mary Erickson	Kenneth Young (died: Dec 1970)
Wendell Lycette	Claire Glidden (dis 6/21/64)	Philip Hall
Llewellyn Knapp (die 1966)	Ida Knapp	Floris Williams
Virgil Farrar (dis 1/31/65)	Patricia Lynds	Patricia Melville
Vinal Williams	Warden Boone	Muriel Boone
Cecil Williams	Alton Dwyer	Eugene McEntee
Lawrence Levasseur	Fred Barker	Joanne Anderson (dis 1967)
Ed Vickrey (dis Sep 1969)		

Church Membership: Resident: (Key: Die=death date, Dis=transfer to other church, ~~Floris~~=left church)

Velora Black	Alton Black (die Jan 1971)	Dawn Knapp
Marion Boles	Marion Libby	Myrna Lycette (die Apr 6, 1968)
Florence Anderson (dis Mar 6, 1969)	Grace Pullen	Orrin Pullen (die Mar 24, 1962)
Richard Anderson	Minnie Williams	Alden Hall (die Sep 13, 1962)
Lloyd Farrar (die Jul 28, 1965)	Goldie Farrar	Lynwood Farrar
Sandra Libby	George Lycette	Alwilda Williams
Lorraine Knapp	David Knapp	Irvine Carr
Marjorie Carr	Aubrey Clark (dis Jan 8, 1967)	George Parsons
Nancy Anderson (dis Mar 6, 69)	Ruth Oliver	Lewis Albert (die Oct 1969)
Lewis Weatherbee	Arabel Weatherbee	William Libby
Joyce Estabrook	Effie Williams	Jacqueline Seamans
Clifford Williams	Jennie Shields (die Jun 1969)	Della Davis
Frances Hall	Gloria Jewell Hall	Rev CV Overman (dis 1966)
Mrs CV Overman (dis 1966)	Dale Farrar (die Oct 1969)	Hazel Farrar
Dorothy Wilcox	Carol Wilcox	Duane Knapp
Perry Knapp	Darrell Williams	Glen Williams
Charley Little	Glenda Little	Cindy Hall

February 1: The **Annual Business Meeting** was held following a fellowship supper at the church. Annual reports were read and accepted.

Officers elected were:

Clerk: **Sandra Libby**

Treasurer: **Velora Black**

Asst Treasurer: **William Libby**

Trustees: **William Davis, Clifford Williams, William Libby**

Pulpit Comm: **Velora Black, Minnie Williams, Jacqueline Seamans**

Building Comm: **Marion Libby, Dawn Knapp, Velora Black, Minnie Williams, Louis Weatherbee**

SS Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Sandra Libby**

SS Treasurer: **Alwilda Williams**

Asst SS Treasurer: **Dawn Knapp**

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(Zip Code) (02:66-70)

4. Church's Telephone Number: _____ (02:71-80)
(Give Area Code)

5. a. Is your church incorporated? Yes ☐ 1 (03:18)
No ☒ 2 (03:18)

b. Year Church Incorporated: _____ (03:19-22)

c. Year Church Organized: 1863 (03:23-26)

d. Church Annual Meeting: January (03:27-37)
(Month)

6. Name of Your Association: San Anacostant (03:38-58)

7. a. Total Value of All Church Property
(include parsonage): 3500 (03:59-66)

b. Total Indebtedness: none (03:67-77)

8. Is your church a federated church? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (03:78)

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Supplies from members of
10. Pastor's home address: _____ (04:40-60)
(Number and Street)

New Brunswick Bible Institute
(City) (04:61-73) (State) (04:74-75) (Zip Code) (04:76-80)

(PHONE NUMBER including area code) (05:18-27)

11. Pastor's preferred mailing address: Home ☐ Church ☐

12. Pastor began ministry in your church in: _____ (05:28-42)
(Give name of month and year)

13. Church has interim. Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (05:43)

14. Other Paid Staff (Professional)
Title Name Full Time Part Time

a. _____

Address: _____

b. If others, attach additional sheet.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE
(Additional Directory—see p. 7)

15. Give the name and mailing address of the following officers and leaders in your church. Please give complete address to meet postal requirements. If church does not have the officers listed, indicate this by writing "None" in the blank. If new officers are to take office by January 31, give their names. PLEASE USE TWO-LETTER ABBREVIATIONS FOR STATES.

a. Church Moderator: *None*
(Name) (06:18-39)
(No. & Street) (06:40-60) (City) (06:61-73) (State) (06:74-75) (Zip Code) (06:76-80)

b. Church Clerk: *Mrs. Sandra Libby*
(Name) (07:18-39)
No. Amity Me. 04465
(No. & Street) (07:40-60) (City) (07:61-73) (State) (07:74-75) (Zip Code) (07:76-80)

c. Church Treasurer: *Mrs. Velora Black*
(Name) (08:18-39)
No. Amity Me. 04465
(No. & Street) (08:40-60) (City) (08:61-73) (State) (08:74-75) (Zip Code) (08:76-80)

d. Benevolence Treasurer
(if not church treasurer): *None*
(Name) (09:18-39)
(No. & Street) (09:40-60) (City) (09:61-73) (State) (09:74-75) (Zip Code) (09:76-80)

II. Church's Membership

NOTE: Due to difficulty in separating statistics for Baptist members in federated, community and dually aligned churches, we suggest that total figures be given.

16. Total membership as of December 31: *58*
(14:18-22)

17. Total membership of previous year. *65*
(14:23-27)

18. Resident membership as of Dec. 31: *23*
(14:28-32)

19. Nonresident membership as of Dec. 31: *33*
(14:33-37)

20. This year's average attendance at Sunday morning worship. *15*
(14:38-41)

21. Average attendance at Sunday evening worship. *15*
(14:42-45)

e. Church School Superintendent: *Mrs. Dawn Knapp*
(Name) (10:18-39)
No. Amity Me. 04465
(No. & Street) (10:40-60) (City) (10:61-73) (State) (10:74-75) (Zip Code) (10:76-80)

f. Chairman, Board of Deacons or Joint Board: *Mr. William Libby*
(Name) (11:18-39)
No. Amity Me. 04465
(No. & Street) (11:40-60) (City) (11:61-73) (State) (11:74-75) (Zip Code) (11:76-80)

g. Chairman, Board of Trustees: *William Libby*
(Name) (12:18-39)
No. Amity Me. 04465
(No. & Street) (12:40-60) (City) (12:61-73) (State) (12:74-75) (Zip Code) (12:76-80)

h. Chairman, Board/Committee Christian Education: *None*
(Name) (13:18-39)
(No. & Street) (13:40-60) (City) (13:61-73) (State) (13:74-75) (Zip Code) (13:76-80)

i. Chairman, Education for Mission: *None*
(Name) (21:18-39)
(No. & Street) (21:40-60) (City) (21:61-73) (State) (21:74-75) (Zip Code) (21:76-80)

22. Total new members received this report year by:
a. Baptism *—*
(14:46-48)
b. Transfer of Letter *—*
(14:49-51)
c. Other *—*
(14:52-54)

23. Total members lost this report year by:
a. Transfer of Letter *3*
(14:55-57)
b. Death *4*
(14:58-60)
c. Other *—*
(14:61-63)

24. Church School figures:
a. Enrollment as of December 31 *30*
(14:64-67)
b. Number of teachers as of Dec. 31 *3*
(14:68-71)
c. Average attendance of pupils, officers and teachers for this report year *22*
(14:72-75)

25. Enrollments as of December 31:

- a. Women's Organizations
(15:18-20)
- b. Men's Organizations
(15:21-23)
- c. Youth Organizations
(15:24-26)
- d. Evening Groups
(15:27-29)
- e. Usher Board
(15:30-32)
- f. Choirs
(15:33-35)

III. Your Church's Financial Stewardship Record

When entering figures, round out to whole dollars.
If the answer is none, draw a line through the
space provided.

26. Total income received. (All sources.) \$ 1025.00 ..XX
(16:18-23)
27. Income from Endowment or Invested
Funds only. \$XX
(16:24-29)
28. Total expended for current local expenses.
(Do not include building fund or missions.
Include Pastor's salary.) \$ 957.00 ..XX
(16:30-35)
29. Total contributed to capital improvements
or the church's building fund. \$XX
(16:36-41)
30. Total amount contributed to the AMERICAN
BAPTIST MISSION BUDGET. \$ 224.00 ..XX
(16:42-47)
- Indicate below amount given:
- a. Love Gifts of Woman's Society \$XX
- b. Undesignated Gifts \$ 187.00 ..XX
- c. America for Christ Offering \$ 19.00 ..XX
- d. World Fellowship Offering \$ 18.00 ..XX
- e. Designated Gifts \$XX
- f. Children's Day Offering \$XX
- g. M&M Communion Fellowship Offering \$XX
- h. Institutional Support \$XX
- i. Specifics \$XX
- j. Campaigns for ABC Work \$ 34.00 ..XX

31. Amount contributed to Other Benevolences \$XX
(16:48-52)
- Indicate below amount given:
- a. Special Community Programs \$XX
- b. Other Associations or National Conventions \$XX
- c. N.A.A.C.P. and/or S.C.L.C. \$XX
- d. United Negro College Fund \$XX
- e. American Bible Society \$XX
- f. American Leprosy Mission \$XX
- g. Other (Hospital Chaplaincy Service) \$ 10.00 ..XX
32. Did your church receive financial aid from the
American Baptist Home Mission Societies? Yes ☐ 1 (16:53)
No ☒ 2 (16:53)
33. Did your church receive financial aid from
your State Convention or City Society or
Association? (Do not include loans.) Yes ☐ 1 (16:54)
No ☒ 2 (16:54)
34. Did your church receive aid from the National
Salary Support Program? Yes ☐ 1 (16:55)
No ☒ 2 (16:55)
35. Which budget system did your church use this
report year? (Check all that apply.)
- a. A single budget (one pledge for entire
church program). ☒ 1 (16:56)
- b. A dual budget (one pledge for local expenses
and one pledge for wider missions). ☐ 2 (16:56)
- c. A dual budget (one pledge for local expenses
and one pledge for building fund). ☐ 3 (16:56)
- d. A triple budget (one pledge for local expenses,
one for missions, one for building fund). ☐ 4 (16:56)
- e. Church does not operate on any type of budget. ☒ 5 (16:56)
36. In which of the following did your church participate?
(Check all that apply.)
- a. Complete Every Member Canvass ☐ 1 (16:57)
- b. Partial Every Member Canvass ☐ 2 (16:57)
- c. Complete Percentage Giving Program ☐ 1 (16:58)
- d. Partial Percentage Giving Program ☐ 2 (16:58)
- e. Special Financial Drives ☐ 1 (16:59)
- f. No organized financial program as such ☒ 1 (16:60)

IV. Pastor's Compensation and Expenses

(If your church has more than one pastor, record information for Senior Pastor on this form and give information for additional pastors on separate sheet.)

37. Actual Compensation and Allowances paid by church: (Round off to whole dollars.)

A. Parsonage

Does your church provide a parsonage?

Yes ☐ 1 (17:18)
No ☐ 2 (17:18)

B. Compensation

a. Pastor's Cash Salary (Give amount in budget for the year if no pastor.)

\$ 620.00 ..XX
(17:19-23)

b. Housing Allowance (If possible, estimate rental value of parsonage.)

\$XX
(17:24-27)

c. Utilities Allowance

\$XX
(17:28-31)

d. M&M Pension and Health Plan

\$XX

C. Professional Expenses

a. Car Allowance

\$XX
(17:32-35)

b. Convention Expenses

\$XX
(17:36-39)

c. Continuing Education Expenses

\$XX
(17:40-44)

38. Does your church provide its pastor with a study leave, in addition to an annual vacation?

Yes ☐ 1 (17:45)
No ☐ 2 (17:45)

V. Christian Education Information

39. Does your church offer special programming for the aging?

Yes ☐ 1 (17:46)
No ☒ 2 (17:46)

40. In your services to the aging, how many are served?

a. Members

(17:47-50)

b. Non-Members

(17:51-54)

41. Membership in Sunday Church School. (Write figure in blank or write "None" if it applies.)

Birth to 3 years (Nursery)

None (18:18-20)

4-5 years (Kindergarten)

15 (18:21-23)

Grades 1-2 (Primary)

(18:24-26)

Grades 3-4 (Middler)

(18:27-29)

Grades 5-6 (Junior)

(18:30-32)

Grades 7-8 (Junior High)

(18:33-35)

Grades 9-10 (Middle High)

10 (18:36-38)

Grades 11-12 (Senior High)

(18:39-41)

18-22 years (Adult)

(18:42-44)

23 years and above (Adult)

5 (18:45-47)

42. Number of Teachers (Write figure in blank or write "None" if it applies)

Birth to 3 years (Nursery)

none (18:48-49)

4-5 years (Kindergarten)

(18:50-51)

Grades 1-2 (Primary)

1 (18:52-53)

Grades 3-4 (Middler)

(18:54-55)

Grades 5-6 (Junior)

(18:56-57)

Grades 7-8 (Junior High)

1 (18:58-59)

Grades 9-10 (Middle High)

(18:60-61)

Grades 11-12 (Senior High)

(18:62-63)

18-22 years (Adult)

1 (18:64-65)

23 years and above (Adult)

(18:66-67)

43. Christian Education materials used by your church
(Check the squares that indicate the curriculum materials and the departments in which they are used. The darkened areas indicate age groups for which the listed curriculum materials do not apply.)

CURRICULUM MATERIALS

Departments or classes using the materials	Judson Uniform Series	Judson Graded Series	Electives suggested by ABBEP for Adults	American Baptist Study Resources for Evening Fellowship	Judson Vacation Church School Texts	Cooperative Vacation Church School Texts	American Baptist Story Papers and Magazines	Cooperative Weekday Church School Texts	Recommended School of Mission Materials
NURSERY		(19:18)			(19:19)				
KINDERGARTEN		(19:20)		(19:21)	(19:22)	(19:23)	(19:24)		(19:25)
PRIMARY	(19:26)	(19:27)		(19:28)	(19:29)	(19:30)	(19:31)	(19:32)	(19:33)
MIDDLER		(19:34)		(19:35)	(19:36)		(19:37)	(19:38)	(19:39)
JUNIORS	(19:40)	(19:41)		(19:42)	(19:43)	(19:44)	(19:45)	(19:46)	(19:47)
JUNIOR HIGH	(19:48)	(19:49)		(19:50)	(19:51)		(19:52)	(19:53)	(19:54)
MIDDLE HIGH	(19:55)	(19:56)		(19:57)			(19:58)	(19:59)	(19:60)
SENIOR HIGH	(19:61)	(19:62)		(19:63)			(19:64)	(19:65)	(19:66)
YOUNG ADULT	(19:67)	(19:68)	(19:69)	(19:70)			(19:71)		(19:72)
ADULT	(19:73)	(19:74)	(19:75)	(19:76)			(19:77)		(19:78)

44. If your church uses curriculum materials produced by another publisher, check the square(s) below that show the publisher's name and the age group with which the materials are used. (Use check (✓) mark only.)

	(1) Southern Baptist Conv.	(2) Presbyterian U S	(3) Progressive National Baptist Conv. Inc.	(4) National Baptist Conv. of America	(5) United Church of Christ	(6) United Presbyterian U S A	(7) David C. Cook	(8) Gospel Light	(9) Scripture Press	(10) Standard	(X) Union Gospel Press	(12) Other
Preschool Children (Birth through 5 yrs.)												(20:18)
Elementary Age (Grades 1-6 or ages 6-12)												(20:19)
Youth (Grades 7-12 or ages 12-18)												(20:20)
Young Adult (Ages 18-22)												(20:21)
Adult (Age 22 and Above)												(20:22)

45. Number of members of local church:

a. Attending an ABC-related college or university.

(20:23-25)

b. Attending other private or church related college or university.

(20:26-28)

c. Attending public supported college or university.

(20:29-31)

46. Does your church (or any of its organizations) maintain a scholarship fund to assist students to get a college education?

Yes ☐ 1 (20:32)
No ☒ 2 (20:32)

47. What is the approximate total of all annual scholarships the fund produces?

\$.....xx
(20:33-37)

VI. Ministry of Witness

48. Does your church have a program of ministry of witness related to the following:

- A. Evangelism through Preaching
- | | Yes | No | |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Did your church have a Preaching Mission? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:38) |
| Did your church have a Revival? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:39) |
- B. Evangelism through Visitation
- | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Did your church have an intensive period of visitation? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:40) |
| Did your church have a year round program of visitation? | ☒ 1 | ☐ 2 | (20:41) |
- C. Evangelism through Small groups
- | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Did your church have fellowship or "encounter" groups? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:42) |
| Did your church have study groups? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:43) |
| Did your church have task forces? | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:44) |
- D. Evangelism through Community Action
- | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Did your church as a congregation participate in the witness of community action? (Such as items described in Question 49.) | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:45) |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
- E. Evangelism through Cooperative Action
- | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| Did your church as a congregation engage in cooperative action with other congregations or groups? | ☒ 1 | ☐ 2 | (20:46) |
|--|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
- F. Did your church have another type of program for ministry of witness?
- | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| | ☐ 1 | ☒ 2 | (20:47) |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|

49. Has your church taken any official action or sponsored activities related to the Convention Resolutions dealing with the following issues:

	Did Not Know There Was A Resolution			
	Yes	No		
The War against Poverty	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:48)
The Generation Gap	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:49)
The Role of U.S. in World Affairs	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:50)
The Arms Race	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:51)
Abortion	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:52)
Family Life	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:53)
Housing—Open, Low Income	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:54)
Conscientious Objection to War	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:55)
Alcoholism and Narcotics Addiction	☒ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:56)
Racism	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:57)
Birth Control	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:58)
Vietnam	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:59)
Welfare Inequities	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:60)
Foreign Aid	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:61)
Public Education	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:62)
Guaranteed Income	☐ 1	☒ 2	☐ 3	(20:63)
No action taken on Resolutions	☐ 1	—	—	(20:64)

50. Did your church have a planning conference for church officers and leaders this year?

Yes ☐ 1 (20:65)
No ☒ 2 (20:65)

51. Does your church have a library?

Yes ☐ 1 (20:66)
No ☒ 2 (20:66)

52. Based on its reported resident membership, each church is sent literature to use with the three annual offerings. Check how your church used the materials.

	To promote and receive the offerings	For educational purposes only	Not at all	
America for Christ	☒ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:67)
World Fellowship	☒ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	(20:68)
Communion Fellowship	☐ 1	☐ 2	☒ 3	(20:69)

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ADDITIONAL DIRECTORY

Please give name and mailing address of the following church leaders and officers. If new officers are to take up their duties by January 31, give their names and not the present officers. If your church does not have such a position filled, indicate by writing the word "None" in the blank.

NAME OF CHAIRMAN
(OR PRESIDENT)

ADDRESS

1. None
Christian Social Action
2. None
World Mission Support
3. None
Evangelism
4. None
Finance
5. None
Group Responsible for Annual Budget
6. None
Men's Fellowship or Key Layman
7. Mrs. Dawn Knapp
Women's Society
8. None
Youth Group President
9. George Parsons
Church Organist
10. None
Choir Director
11. None
Youth Group Advisors
12. Mrs. Jacqueline Seamans
Purchaser of Church School Materials

Please list ordained ministers and missionaries related to the American Baptist Convention (other than your pastors) who are members of the congregation. Attach a separate sheet for listing if more than four.

NAME

ADDRESS

1.
2.
3.
4.

When completed return to:
CITY SOCIETY, STATE CONVENTION, OR REGIONAL OFFICE

NOTE: Please attach list of all other officers and leaders.

Supper Comm: **Della Davis, Minnie Williams, Arabelle Weatherbee**

Pianist: **George Parsons**

Asst Pianist: **Duane Knapp, Della Davis**

Nominating Comm for 1970: **Velora Black, Minnie Williams, Jackie Seamans**

We discussed ways to stop water from coming into the church basement. It was decided the men would follow Mr Vickery's suggestion. We also discussed shingling one side of the church roof and painting part of the church.

The meeting was adjourned by prayer.

Highlights: March: A short business meeting was held following the church service. We voted to send \$10.00 to the **Fairfield Hospital Chaplancy Service.**

The men worked on the church basement several nights.

A special program was presented **Easter Sunday** by the Sunday school children.

Daily Vacation Bible School was held the week of June 15th with Nancy Anderson as the leader.

Mr Edward Vickrey served as pastor until July. **Rev. Linwood Putnam** and **Dallas Henderson** served for several Sundays and since then the pulpit has been filled by members of the New Brunswick Bible Institute.

A special evening **Christmas Program** was presented by the Sunday school children with treats and gifts or all the children following.

During the year, we lost four of our members by death and three by transfer of letter.

The Year in Review: 1970

Feb 5: The Annual Business Meeting was held with William Libby elected Moderator. Reports were given with the Treasurer's Report showing a balance on hand of \$495.20.

It was voted to pay one-half of the cost of Daily Vacation Bible School; and to give **Eddie Senderom** \$10.00 a month for having the **Young Peoples Group.**

A motion was made to have Billy check into the price of having the roof shingled and the bell repaired.

A suggestion was made to contact Henry McBride to see what could be done about the water in the church basement.

It was voted to ask **Rev Linwood Putnam** to have a week of evangelistic services.

The Nominating committee's report was given with the following officers elected:

Clerk: **Sandra Libby**

Treasurer: **Velora Black**

Asst Treasurer: **William Libby**

Trustees: **William Libby, Velora Black, Marion Libby**

Pulpit Comm: **Velora Black, Marion Libby, Jackie Seamans**

Pianist: **George Parsons**

Asst Pianist: Duane Knapp, Della Davis

Building Comm: **Marion Libby, Dawn Knapp, Velora Black, Louis Weatherbee, Sandra Libby**

Deacon: **Bill Libby**

Supper Comm: **Della Davis, Ruth Oliver, Lorraine Knapp**

SS Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Sandra Libby**

SS Treasurer: **Jackie Seamans**

Asst SS Treasurer: **Dawn Knapp**

Nominating Comm for 1971: **Dawn Knapp, Sandra Libby, Jackie Seamans**

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Velora Black.

May 23: A short business meeting was held.

It was voted to have **Robert Hinton** as minister during the summer.

Report No. _____
(All cards—cols. 1-4)

Disregard all numerals in parentheses (). They refer only to tabulation.

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(Card no.—each card—cols. 5-6)
(Church no.—card 01—cols. 7-18)

ANNUAL REPORT FORM FOR THE AMERICAN BAPTIST CONVENTION

For Year beginning 1-1-70 and ending 12-31-70
(Month, day and year) (Month, day and year)

I. Church's name, address, and leadership

1. Amity Baptist Church
(Corporate Name of Church) (01:19-41)

2. Actual Location of Church

Amity
(Number and Street) (01:42-64) (City) (01:65-80)

Me. 04465
(State) (02:18-19) (Zip Code) (02:20-24)
Arroostook
(County) (02:25-39)

3. Mailing Address of Church if different from actual location

(Number and Street) (02:40-63) (City) (02:64-80)

(State) (03:18-19) (Zip Code) (03:20-24)

4. Church's Telephone Number: _____
(Give Area Code) (03:25-34)

5. a. Is your church incorporated? Yes ☐ 1 (03:35)
No ☐ 2 (03:35)

b. Year Church Incorporated: _____ (03:36-39)

c. Year Church Organized: 1863 (03:40-43)

d. Church Annual Meeting 3rd
(Month) (03:44-54)

6. Name of Your Association: So. Arroostook

7. a. Total Value of All Church Property (Current Value)
(include parsonage): 5500 (03:55-62)

b. Total Indebtedness: none (03:63-73)

NOTE: If you have called a pastor, but he has not moved to your church, list him as your pastor. If pastor left during the year and no new pastor has been called, leave blank.

(Acting Pastor) Robert Hinton
8. Pastor's Name (04:18-39)

9. Pastor's Home Address (04:40-60)
(Number and Street)

Calais Me.
(City) (04:61-73) (State) (04:74-75) (Zip Code) (04:76-80)

(PHONE NUMBER including area code) (05:18-27)

10. Pastor's preferred mailing address: Home ☒ Church ☐

11. Pastor began ministry in your church in: June, 1970 (05:28-42)
(Give name of month and year)

12. Church has interim. Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (05:43)

13. Other Paid Staff (Professional)

Title	Name	Full Time	Part Time
a. _____	_____		
Address: _____			

b. If others, attach additional sheet.

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(No. & Street) (13:40-60) (City) (13:61-73) (State) (13:74-75) (Zip Code) (13:76-80)

i. Chairman, Pastoral Relations Committee: (Name) (20:18-39)

(No. & Street) (20:40-60) (City) (20:61-73) (State) (20:74-75) (Zip Code) (20:76-80)

j. Chairman, Education for Mission: (Name) (21:18-39)

(No. & Street) (21:40-60) (City) (21:61-73) (State) (21:74-75) (Zip Code) (21:76-80)

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16. Total membership as of December 31: 53 (14:18-22)

17. Total membership of previous year: 58 (14:23-27)

18. Resident membership as of Dec. 31: 23 (14:28-32)

19. Nonresident membership as of Dec. 31: 32 (14:33-37)

20. This year's average attendance at Sunday morning worship: (14:38-41)

21. Average attendance at Sunday evening worship: (14:42-45)

22. Total new members received this report year by:

a. Baptism (14:46-48)

b. Transfer of Letter (14:49-51)

c. Other (14:52-54)

23. Total members lost this report year by:

a. Death (14:55-57)

b. Transfer of Letter (14:58-60)

c. Other (14:61-63)

24. Church School figures:

a. Enrollment as of December 31 (14:64-67)

b. Number of teachers as of Dec. 31 (14:68-71)

c. Average attendance of pupils, officers, and teachers for this report year (14:72-75)

25. Enrollments as of December 31:

a. Women's Organizations

(15:18-20)

b. Men's Organizations

(15:21-23)

c. Children's Groups other than Church School

(15:24-26)

d. Youth Groups other than Church School

(15:27-29)

e. Adult Groups other than Church School

(15:30-32)

f. Usher Board

(15:33-35)

g. Choirs

(15:36-38)

III. Ministry of Witness

26. Does your church have a program of witness related to the following?

A. Evangelism through Preaching

Yes No

a. Did your church have a Preaching Mission? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:39)

b. Did your church have a Revival? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:40)

B. Evangelism through Visitation

a. Did your church have an intensive period of visitation? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:41)

b. Did your church have a year-round program of visitation? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:42)

c. Do lay persons participate in visitation? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:43)

C. Evangelism through Small Groups

a. Did your church have fellowship or "encounter" groups? ☒ 1 ☐ 2 (15:44)

b. Did your church have study groups? ☒ 1 ☐ 2 (15:45)

c. Did your church have task forces? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:46)

D. Evangelism through Community Action

a. Did your church as a congregation participate in the witness of community action? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:47)

E. Evangelism through Cooperative Action

a. Did your church as a congregation engage in cooperative action with other congregations or groups in your community? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:48)

F. Did your church have another type of program for ministry of witness?

☒ 1 ☐ 2 (15:49)

27. Did your church have a planning conference for officers and leaders this year?

Yes ☒ 1 (15:50)

No ☐ 2 (15:50)

28. Does your church have a functioning library?

Yes ☐ 1 (15:51)

No ☒ 2 (15:51)

IV. Christian Education Information

29. Does your church offer special programming or permit use of facilities for any of the following:

Yes No

a. Aging ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:52)

b. Youth (other than B.Y.F.) ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:53)

c. Children

1. Day Care Center funded partially by federal government. ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:54)

2. Day Care Center funded by other than federal government. ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:55)

3. Week-day Nursery School ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:56)

4. Other ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:57)

30. Membership in Church School (Write figure in blank or write "None" if it applies.)

Birth through 3 years (Nursery) (16:18-20)

4-5 years (Kindergarten) (16:21-23)

Grades 1-2 (Primary) (16:24-26)

Grades 3-4 (Middler) (16:27-29)

Grades 5-6 (Junior) (16:30-32)

Grades 7-8 (Junior High) (16:33-35)

Grades 9-10 (Middle High) (16:36-38)

Grades 11-12 (Senior High) (16:39-41)

18-25 years (16:42-44)

26-49 years (16:45-47)

50-65 years (16:48-49)

66+ (16:50-51)

Adults of mixed ages (16:52-54)

31. Number of classes (Write figure in blank or write "None" if it applies.)

Birth through 3 years (Nursery) *none* (16:55-56)

4-5 years (Kindergarten) *confirmed* (16:57-58)

Grades 1-2 (Primary) (16:59-60)

Grades 3-4 (Middler) (16:61-62)

Grades 5-6 (Junior) (16:63-64)

Grades 7-8 (Junior High) (16:65-66)

Grades 9-10 (Middle High) *none* (16:67-68)

Grades 11-12 (Senior High) *none* (16:69-70)

18-25 years *none* (16:71-72)

26-49 years *none* (16:73-74)

50-65 years *none* (16:75-76)

66+ *none* (16:77-78)

Adults of mixed ages *none* (16:79-80)

32. Christian Education materials used by your church
(Check the squares that indicate the curriculum materials and the departments in which they are used. The darkened areas indicate age groups for which the listed curriculum materials do not apply.)

CURRICULUM MATERIALS

Departments or classes using materials	Judson Uniform Series	Judson Graded Series	ABEP "Elective Principle" Resources for Adults	American Baptist Study Resources for Fellowship Groups	Judson Vacation Church School Texts	Cooperative Vacation Church School Texts	American Baptist Story Cards, Kindergarten Corner, and Magazines	Cooperative "Through-the-Week" Series	Recommended School of Mission Materials
NURSERY									
Birth—3 years		(17:18)			(17:19)		(17:20)		
KINDERGARTEN									
3-4 years		(17:21)			(17:22)	(17:23)	(17:24)		(17:25)
PRIMARY									
Grades 1-2	(17:26)	(17:27)			(17:28)	(17:29)	(17:30)	(17:31)	(17:32)
MIDDLER									
Grades 3-4		(17:33)			(17:34)		(17:35)	(17:36)	(17:37)
JUNIOR									
Grades 5-6	(17:38)	(17:39)		(17:40)	(17:41)	(17:42)	(17:43)	(17:44)	(17:45)
JUNIOR HIGH									
Grades 7-8	(17:46)	(17:47)		(17:48)	(17:49)		(17:50)	(17:51)	(17:52)
MIDDLE HIGH									
Grades 9-10	(17:53)	(17:54)		(17:55)			(17:56)	(17:57)	(17:58)
SENIOR HIGH									
Grades 11-12	(17:59)	(17:60)		(17:61)			(17:62)	(17:63)	(17:64)
YOUNG ADULT									
18-22 years	(17:65)	(17:66)	(17:67)	(17:68)			(17:69)		(17:70)
ADULT									
23 years +	(17:71)	(17:72)	(17:73)	(17:74)			(17:75)		(17:76)

33. If your church uses curriculum materials produced by another publisher check the square(s) below that show the publisher's name and the age group with which the materials are used. (Use check (✓) mark only.)

	National Baptist Convention of America	Presbyterian U.S.A.	Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.	Southern Baptist Convention	United Church of Christ	United Presbyterian U.S.A.	David C. Cook	Gospel Light	Scripture Press	Standard	Union Gospel Press	Other
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(X)	(12)
Preschool Children (Birth through 5 years)									X			
Elementary Age (Grades 1-6 or ages 6-12)											X	
Youth (Grades 7-12 or ages 12-18)											X	
Young Adults (Ages 18-25)												
Adult (Age 26 and above)												

34. Number of members of local church:

a. Attending an ABC-related college or university.

(18:23-25)

b. Attending other private or church related college or university.

(18:26-28)

c. Attending public supported college or university.

(18:29-31)

d. Attending vocational, technical, or special school(s).

(18:32-33)

35. Does your church (or any of its organizations) maintain a scholarship fund to assist students to get education beyond high school?

Yes ☒ 1 (18:34)
No ☐ 2 (18:34)

36. What is the approximate total of all annual scholarships the fund produces?

\$xx
(18:35-38)

V. Your Church's Financial Stewardship Record

When entering figures, round out to whole dollars. If the answer is "none," draw a line through the space provided.

37. Total income received. (All sources.)

\$ 1051.00xx
(18:39-44)

38. Income from Endowment or Invested Funds only.

\$xx
(18:45-50)

39. Total expended for current local expenses. (Do not include building fund or mission. Include Pastor's salary.)

\$ 1081.00xx
(18:51-56)

40. Total contributed to capital improvements or the church's building fund.

\$xx
(18:57-62)

41. Total amount contributed to the AMERICAN BAPTIST MISSION BUDGET.

\$ 190.00xx
(18:63-68)

Indicate below amount given:

a. Love Gifts of Woman's Society

\$xx

b. Undesignated Gifts

\$ 182.00xx

c. America for Christ Offering

\$ 300xx

d. World Fellowship Offering

\$ 500xx

e. Designated Gifts

\$xx

f. M & M Communion Fellowship Offering

\$xx

g. Institutional Support

\$xx

h. Specifics

\$xx

i. Campaigns for ABC Work

\$xx

j. Validated Local Ministries

\$xx

42. Amount contributed to Other Benevolences

\$xx
(18:69-72)

Indicate below amount given:

a. American Bible Society

\$xx

b. American Leprosy Mission

\$xx

c. Other Association or National Convention

\$xx

d. S.C.L.C. and/or N.A.A.C.P.

\$xx

e. United Negro College Fund

\$xx

f. Other (Specify).....

\$xx

43. Which budget system did your church use this report year?
- A single budget (one pledge for entire church program.) ☐ 1 (18:73)
 - A dual budget (one pledge for local expenses and one pledge for wider missions.) ☐ 2 (18:73)
 - A dual budget (one pledge for church program and one pledge for building fund.) ☐ 3 (18:73)
 - A triple budget (one pledge for local expenses, one for missions, one for building fund.) ☐ 4 (18:73)
 - Church does not operate on any type of budget. ☒ 5 (18:73)

44. In which of the following did your church participate? (Check all that apply.)

- Complete Every Member Canvass ☐ 1 (18:74)
- Partial Every Member Canvass ☐ 2 (18:74)
- Complete Percentage Giving Program ☐ 1 (18:75)
- Partial Percentage Giving Program ☐ 2 (18:75)
- Financial Drives for Special Purposes ☐ 1 (18:76)
- Other Organized Financial Program ☐ 1 (18:77)
- No organized financial program as such ☒ 2 (18:77)

45. Check how your church participated in the following program. (Materials were sent free to your church.)

	<i>Used material to promote and receive the offerings</i>	<i>Used material for educational purposes only</i>	<i>Received offering but did not use material</i>	<i>No participation</i>	
America for Christ	☒ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	(18:78)
World Fellowship	☒ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	(18:79)
Communion Fellowship	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☒ 4	(18:80)

VI. Pastor's Compensation and Professional Expenses

(If your church has more than one pastor, record information for Senior Pastor on this form.)

46. Actual Compensation and Allowances paid by church: (Round off to whole dollars.)

- Parsonage
Does your church provide a parsonage? Yes ☐ 1 (19:18)
No ☒ 2 (19:18)
- Compensation
 - Pastor's Cash Salary (Give amount in budget for the year if no pastor.) \$ 685.00 .XX (19:19-23)
 - Rental value of living quarters, including any allowance for utilities*
or
Cash housing allowance, including any allowance for utilities* \$XX (19:24-27)

*Utilities include telephone, light, heat, water, etc.

47. Professional Expenses

- M & M Benefit Program \$XX (19:28-32)
- Automobile Allowance \$XX (19:33-36)
- Convention Expenses \$XX (19:37-40)
- Continuing Education Expenses \$XX (19:41-44)
- Other (Specify) \$XX (19:45-48)

48. Does your church provide its pastor opportunity for a continuing education experience in addition to an annual vacation?

Yes ☐ 1 (19:49)
No ☒ 2 (19:49)

ADDITIONAL DIRECTORY

Please give name and mailing address of the following church leaders and officers. If new officers are to take up their duties by January 31, give their names. If your church does not have such a position filled, indicate by writing the word "NONE" in the blank.

NAME OF CHAIRMAN
(OR PRESIDENT)

ADDRESS

- Chairman Responsible for Annual Budget none
- Evangelism none
- Finance none
- Men's Fellowship or Key Layman none

NOTE: Please attach list of all other officers and leaders.

"FIVE YEAR SECTION"

Your help on additional questions (asked only every five years) is needed as a part of this year's report.

I. Church Organization for Ministry

1. Has any change in programming taken place in your church in the last five years? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (22:18)
2. Has any change in your church's organization taken place in the last five years? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (22:19)
3. Does your church have:
 - a. Single Board..... (22:20)
 - b. Multiple Boards..... (22:21)
4. Has the use of small groups in your church increased in the last five years? Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (22:22)
5. What percentage of your membership serves in elected or appointed positions in your church? 30 % (22:23-24)

II. Church's Community

6. Which of the following best describes the location and size of place where your church's building is located? (This information can be supplied by your community's mayor, town clerk, post office or Planning Commission.) (CHECK ONLY ONE.)

Open Country	☐ 1	(22:25)	20,000 to 49,999	☐ 7	(22:25)
Under 500 population	☒ 2	(22:25)	50,000 to 99,999	☐ 8	(22:25)
Between 500 & 999	☐ 3	(22:25)	100,000 to 249,999	☐ 9	(22:25)
Town of 1,000 to 2,499	☐ 4	(22:25)	250,000 to 499,999	☐ 0	(22:25)
Town of 2,500 to 9,999	☐ 5	(22:25)	500,000 to 999,999	☒ X	(22:25)
10,000 to 19,999	☐ 6	(22:25)	Over 1 million	☐ 12	(22:25)
7. Which of the following best describes the total population where your church's building is located? (CHECK ONLY ONE.)

The population is increasing	☐ 1	(22:26)
The population is decreasing	☒ 2	(22:26)
The population remains unchanged	☐ 3	(22:26)

8. Which of the following is most typical of the community where the church's building is located? (CHECK ONLY ONE.)

- | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|---------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Agricultural | ☒ 1 | (22:27) | Educational | ☐ 7 | (22:27) |
| Resort | ☐ 2 | (22:27) | Mining | ☐ 8 | (22:27) |
| Industrial | ☐ 3 | (22:27) | Residential | ☐ 9 | (22:27) |
| Lumbering | ☐ 4 | (22:27) | Downtown Area | ☐ 0 | (22:27) |
| Agricultural & Resort | ☐ 5 | (22:27) | Other | ☒ X | (22:27) |
| Fishing | ☐ 6 | (22:27) | | | |

III. Church Membership

9. Which of the following best describes your church membership in the past five years? (CHECK ONLY ONE.)

- | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Membership is increasing | ☐ 1 | (22:28) |
| Membership is decreasing | ☒ 2 | (22:28) |
| Membership is remaining substantially the same | ☐ 3 | (22:28) |

10. Indicate below the number of your church's resident members, by sex, in each of the age ranges. (This can best be done by the pastor and church clerk reviewing the list of resident members, estimating an age for each, then tabulating the list and completing this chart.)

RESIDENT MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND SEX

Age Range

- | | | |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 14 or under | Male..... <u>1</u> (22:29-31) | Female..... <u>2</u> (22:32-34) |
| 15 to 19 | Male..... <u>3</u> (22:35-37) | Female..... <u>2</u> (22:38-40) |
| 20 to 24 | Male..... <u>1</u> (22:41-43) | Female..... <u>1</u> (22:44-46) |
| 25 to 35 | Male..... <u>2</u> (22:47-49) | Female..... <u>3</u> (22:50-52) |
| 36 to 50 | Male..... <u>1</u> (22:53-55) | Female..... <u>1</u> (22:56-58) |
| 51 to 65 | Male..... <u>2</u> (22:59-61) | Female..... <u>5</u> (22:62-64) |
| 66 & over | Male..... <u>1</u> (22:65-67) | Female..... <u>1</u> (22:68-70) |

11. Indicate the approximate number in your church in the following categories of work:

- a. Professional (Doctors, lawyers, teachers, engineers, nurses, etc.) (23:18-21)
- b. White Collar (Business, managerial, clerical, sales, etc.) (23:22-25)
- c. Skilled Labor (Explain) (23:26-29)
- d. Unskilled Labor (Explain) (23:30-33)
- e. Retired (23:34-37)

12. How does your church receive members: (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

- a. Immersion by your church ☒ 1 (23:38)
- b. Transfer of letter from an immersion church ☒ 1 (23:39)
- c. By statement of Christian experience ☐ 1 (23:40)
- d. Baptism other than immersion ☐ 1 (23:41)
- e. Transfer of letter from a non-immersion church ☐ 1 (23:42)

IV. Church School

13. When are church school sessions held for the following groups:

	Saturday		Sunday		Other		
	A.M. (1)	P.M. (2)	A.M. (3)	P.M. (4)	A.M. (5)	P.M. (6)	
Nursery							(23:43)
Kindergarten			10:00				(23:44)
Primary							(23:45)
Middler			10:00				(23:46)
Junior			10:00				(23:47)
Junior High			10:00				(23:48)
Middle High							(23:49)
Senior High							(23:50)
Young Adult							(23:51)
Adult							(23:52)

V. Your Church's Record of Financial Stewardship

14. Valuation of endowment or trust funds of the church \$XX (24:18-24)
15. Total fire insurance presently carried on all buildings, including parsonage \$XX (24:25-31)
16. Indicate the amount of your church's indebtedness owed to each of the following:
- a. State Convention or Region \$XX (24:32-38)
- b. Your City Society and/or Association \$XX (24:39-46)
- c. Your bank \$XX (24:47-53)
- d. Individuals \$XX (24:54-60)
- e. American Baptist Homes Mission Societies including American Baptist Extension Corp. \$XX (24:61-67)
- f. Other \$XX (24:68-74)

VI. Cooperative Relationships

17. Does your church have any of the following relationships?

- a. Federated (single congregation maintaining two or more identities in membership.) Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (25:18)
- b. Community (serving more than one denomination.) Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (25:19)
- c. Dually-aligned Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (25:20)
- d. Multiple-alignment Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (25:21)
- e. Part of a larger parish (church does cooperative planning and financing.) Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (25:22)
- f. Part of a yoked parish (shares ministerial leadership.) Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (25:23)

18. Indicate other Convention, Association, or Denomination to which your church belongs. (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- a. National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. ☐ 1 (25:24)
b. National Baptist Convention of America ☐ 1 (25:25)
c. Progressive National Baptist Convention ☐ 1 (25:26)
d. Southern Baptist Convention ☒ 1 (25:27)
e. Other (Specify)..... ☐ 1 (25:28)

19. Does your church support financially or otherwise any of the following? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- a. Baptist World Alliance ☐ 1 (25:29)
b. Local Federation or Council of Churches ☐ 1 (25:30)
c. Local or Area Interfaith Council ☐ 1 (25:31)
d. State Council of Churches ☐ 1 (25:32)
e. National Council of Churches ☐ 1 (25:33)
f. National Association of Evangelicals ☐ 1 (25:34)
g. World Council of Churches ☐ 1 (25:35)
h. Other (Specify)..... ☐ 1 (25:36)

20. Attendance at American Baptist camps or conference centers

Approximately how many persons from your congregation attended an American Baptist camp or conference center last year? (Answer both *part a* and *part b*. Write in each blank the number of persons. If none, write "NONE".)

part a: American Baptist Assembly,
Green Lake, Wisconsin

nine
(25:37-39)

part b: A camp or conference center in your State
Convention, City Society, or ABC Region

none
(25:40-42)

Name of your camp(s) or conference center(s) attended:

none

When completed return to:

CITY SOCIETY, STATE CONVENTION, OR REGIONAL OFFICE

We are grateful for your cooperation in assisting us to make our united ministry more meaningful.

Pastor's Report

As we come to the close of another year at Amity Baptist Church it is time to look over the past year and see what has been accomplished for the Lord. As I look back I feel that it has been a very good year and that the Lord has been very faithful..

The Sunday School attendance has been very good and has increased greatly over the past year and has remained steady even during the summer months and the bad weather of the winter months.

The morning worship service has also increased greatly and has remained steady throughout the year. We had an average of 27 to each morning worship service. In the last couple of months we have averaged over the 30 mark and attendance seems to be on the increase again. We have must to praise God for.

The evening service has been a time of real blessing and as in our other services this has increased also. We averaged 14 to each evening service. In the last month or so we have been averaging almost 20 so this is on the increase once again.

The mid-week service has increased also and we averaged 7 for the year but this has been up to about 11 in the last couple of months. This is the most important meeting in the church and I trust in the coming year it will continue to increase.

Some of the other important events in the church were the purchasing of a home for the Pastor, taking on new missionaries, sending our young people to Bible Camps, and many other projects such as helping the sick, sunshine baskets, food baskets and many other things.

I want to thank the people of the church for their very fine giving not only financially but also in relation to the many meals that we provided and all the time that was given in preparation for the trailer and all the help in supplying me with the needed things to furnish it. I want to thank you all for the many gifts that you have given me and I am sure the Lord will bless and reward you for your giving.

It has been a blessed year and we as a church and myself as a Pastor have much to thank the Lord for. I am sure that He will continue to bless us ~~as~~ we remain yielded to Him and seek His perfect will.

As I look to this new year I have set a few goals in regards to our church. In regards to our services, I have already told you I am praying for 100 in our morning worship and the same in our Sunday school. Our evening service should have at least 50 and prayer meeting should have 30.

Other things that I pray will be accomplished are as follows: The roof needs to be fixed; I would like to purchase a bus; home Bible studies; a phone calling ministry; radio ministry and a visitation experience in our church. I pray that we will take on at least 3 new missionaries. I trust we will grow spiritually and learn to see the Lord in a much better way. I pray He will save many souls in this coming year.

We have much to praise God for and I trust this is the case in each of our lives that we are rejoicing in the many things that the Lord has blessed us with in the past year and also the things that He is going to do in this coming year if He should not come.

Bob Hinton
Pastor.

Sunday School Superintendent's Report

Our year started with about 20 coming to Sunday School and as the year progressed the Lord blessed us abundantly. We went as high as 48 in attendance in March and April. Although all the figures are not available with the ones that I do have we average 32 to Sunday School each Sunday. The attendance has held up very well and we stay between the 30 - 45 mark each Sunday.

In April we had our Easter program which was well attended by the parents and the children did a very fine job on their pieces and the plays that were presented.

In June we had vacation Bible School and it was very well attended by all the children of the community. We had an average of 42 for the week. We had a closing program on Sunday Evening and there we about 65 to this. The children did a fine job as usual.

In December we had our annual Christmas program and the Children did a fine job for the time they had. The program was very poorly attended by the parents as there was only 46 there.

The School has grown in the past year in a way that most thought it could not but the Lord is very faithful. I am trusting the Lord to continue to give us more people so that the people of this community will know that the Lord is doing a work here in Amity. I want to thank all the teachers who have co-operated and given their time to teach these young people both in Sunday School and VBS. I am sure that the Lord will reward you for your labors of love in the great day when we are taken to be with Him. I am looking for great things in this coming year if the Lord should tarry if not we will be with Him and many of the young people of this church will be there also because of the faithfulness of our Sunday School teachers.

Bob Hinton
Sunday School Superintendent

Voted to send **Bob and Jim Appleby** \$10 for graduation

May 10: **Harold Carpenter** preached.

October 12: A short business meeting was held.

It was voted to start evening services, Young Peoples' and mid-week prayer meetings.

The Year in Review: 1971

Resident Members: (Key: Die=death date, Dis=transfer to other church, Floris=left church)

Velora Black	Alton Black (die Jan71	Dawn Knapp	Marion Libby
Goldie Farrar	Sandra Libby	Alwilda Williams	Lorraine Knapp
McKinney			
David Knapp	Ruth Oliver Stewart	Lewis Weatherbee (dis Dec 72)	Arabel Weatherbee
William Libby	Jacqueline Seamans	Clifford Williams	Della Davis
Duane Knapp	Perry Knapp	Darrell Williams	Charlie Little
Cindy Hall	Judith Putnam	Robert Hinton (dis 1972	David Knapp
Avon Stewart			

Non Resident Members: (Key: Die=death date, Dis=transfer to other church, Floris=left church)

Virginia Hempstead	Mrs Martha Knapp	Floyd Lycette	Geraldine Smart
Mary Erickson	Wendell Lycette	Phillip Hall	Ida Knapp
Patricia Lynds	Patricia Campbell	Warden Boone	Muriel Boone
Alton Dwyer	Eugene McEntee	Lawrence Lavasseur	Fred Barker
Marion Boles	Grace Pullen (die Dec 72	Richard Anderson (dis May 72	Minnie Williams (dis
Nov 72			
Linwood Farrar	Marjorie Carr	George Parson (dis Sep 71	Joyce Sutter Estabrook
Effie Williams	Frances Hall Brackett	Gloria Jean Hall	Hazel Farrar
Dorothy Wilcox	Carol Wilcox (dis Nov 72	Ervin Carr	Glenda Little

Feb 7: Annual Business Meeting held with pastor **Robert Hinton** as moderator. Previous year's minutes were read and approved. Officers' Reports were given with the Treasurer showing a balance on hand of \$443.05.

A motion was made to pledge Nancy Anderson \$20.00 a month.

The Nominating Committees' report was given and the following officers elected:

Clerk: **Sandra Libby**

Treasurer: **Velora Black**

Asst Treasurer: **Bill Libby**

Trustees: **William Libby, Velora Black, Marion Libby**

Pulpit Committee: **Velora Black, Jackie Seamans, Marion Libby**

Pianist: **George Parsons**

Asst Pianist: **Duane Knapp, Della Davis**

Building Committee: **Marion Libby, Dawn Knapp, Velora Black, Louis Weatherbee**

Deacon: **Bill Libby**

Supper Committee: **Della Davis, Ruth Oliver, Lorraine McKinney**

SS Superintendent: **Dawn Knapp**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Sandra Libby**

SS Treasurer: **Jackie Seamans**

Asst SS Treasurer: **Dawn Knapp**

Nominating Committee for 1972: **Velora Black, Marion Libby, Jackie Seamans**

The meeting was adjourned in prayer by Mr. Hinton.

July 11: A short business meeting was held. The members voted to paint the exterior of the church. It was also voted to give our evening church offerings to missions and to pay half of the cost of any child wishing to go to Bible

Disregard all numerals in parentheses (). They refer only to tabulation.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

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(Church no.—card 01—cols. 7-18)

ANNUAL REPORT FORM FOR THE AMERICAN BAPTIST CONVENTION

For Year beginning 1-1-71 and ending 12-31-71
(Month, day and year) (Month, day and year)

I. Church's name, address, and leadership

1. Amity Baptist Church
(Corporate Name of Church) (01:19-41)

2. Actual Location of Church
(Number and Street) (01:42-64) Amity (City) (01:65-80)

Me. (State) (02:18-19) 04465 (Zip Code) (02:20-24)
Arrostook (County) (02:25-39)

3. Mailing Address of Church if different from actual location
(Number and Street) (02:40-63) (City) (02:64-80)

(State) (03:18-19) (Zip Code) (03:20-24)
4. Church's Telephone Number: _____ (03:25-34)
(Give Area Code)

5. a. Is your church incorporated? Yes ☐ 1 (03:35)
No ☐ 2 (03:35)

b. Year Church Incorporated: _____ (03:36-39)

c. Year Church Organized: 1863 (03:40-43)

d. Church Annual Meeting Jan. (03:44-54)
(Month)

6. Name of Your Association: Sd. Arrostook

7. a. Total Value of All Church Property (Current Value)
(include parsonage): 5500 (03:55-62)

b. Total Indebtedness: none (03:63-73)

NOTE: If you have called a pastor, but he has not moved to your church, list him as your pastor. If pastor left during the year and no new pastor has been called, leave blank.

8. Pastor's Name Mr. Robert Hinton (04:18-39)

9. Pastor's Home Address No Amity (04:40-60)
(Number and Street)

Me. (City) (04:61-73) 04465 (State) (04:74-75) (Zip Code) (04:76-80)

207 332-4173 (05:18-27)
(PHONE NUMBER including area code)

10. Pastor's preferred mailing address: Home ☒ Church ☐

11. Pastor began ministry in your church in: June, 1970 (05:28-42)
(Give name of month and year)

12. Church has interim. Yes ☐ 1 No ☒ 2 (05:43)

13. Other Paid Staff (Professional)

Title	Name	Full Time	Part Time
a. _____	_____		
Address: _____			

b. If others, attach additional sheet.

14. Please attach a list of ordained ministers and missionaries related to the American Baptist Convention (other than your pastors) who are members of the congregation.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE
(Additional Directory—see p. 7)

15. Give the name and mailing address of the following officers and leaders in your church. Please give complete address to meet postal requirements. If church does not have the officers listed, indicate this by writing "None" in the blank. If new officers are to take office by January 31, give their names. PLEASE USE TWO-LETTER ABBREVIATIONS FOR STATES.

a. Church Moderator: _____
(Name) (06:18-39)
(No. & Street) (06:40-60) (City) (06:61-73) (State) (06:74-75) (Zip Code) (06:76-80)

b. Church Clerk: Mrs. Sandra Libby
(Name) (07:18-39)
No. Amity Mo. 4465
(No. & Street) (07:40-60) (City) (07:61-73) (State) (07:74-75) (Zip Code) (07:76-80)

c. Church Treasurer: Mrs. Velora Black
(Name) (08:18-39)
No. Amity Mo. 4465
(No. & Street) (08:40-60) (City) (08:61-73) (State) (08:74-75) (Zip Code) (08:76-80)

d. Benevolence Treasurer
(if not church treasurer): _____
(Name) (09:18-39)
(No. & Street) (09:40-60) (City) (09:61-73) (State) (09:74-75) (Zip Code) (09:76-80)

II. Church's Membership

NOTE: Due to difficulty in separating statistics for Baptist members in federated, community and dually aligned churches, we suggest that total figures be given.

16. Total membership as of December 31: 53
(14:18-22)

17. Total membership of previous year: 55
(14:23-27)

18. Resident membership as of Dec. 31: 23
(14:28-32)

19. Nonresident membership as of Dec. 31: 30
(14:33-37)

20. This year's average attendance at Sunday morning worship: 18
(14:38-41)

21. Average attendance at Sunday evening worship: 12
(14:42-45)

e. Church School Superintendent: Robert Hinton
(Name) (10:18-39)
No. Amity Mo. 4465
(No. & Street) (10:40-60) (City) (10:61-73) (State) (10:74-75) (Zip Code) (10:76-80)

f. Chairman, Board of Deacons or Joint Board: Mr. William Libby
(Name) (11:18-39)
No. Amity Mo. 4465
(No. & Street) (11:40-60) (City) (11:61-73) (State) (11:74-75) (Zip Code) (11:76-80)

g. Chairman, Board of Trustees: Mr. William Libby
(Name) (12:18-39)
No. Amity Mo. 4465
(No. & Street) (12:40-60) (City) (12:61-73) (State) (12:74-75) (Zip Code) (12:76-80)

h. Chairman, Board/Committee Christian Education: _____
(Name) (13:18-39)
(No. & Street) (13:40-60) (City) (13:61-73) (State) (13:74-75) (Zip Code) (13:76-80)

i. Chairman, Pastoral Relations Committee: _____
(Name) (20:18-39)
(No. & Street) (20:40-60) (City) (20:61-73) (State) (20:74-75) (Zip Code) (20:76-80)

j. Chairman, Education for Mission: _____
(Name) (21:18-39)
(No. & Street) (21:40-60) (City) (21:61-73) (State) (21:74-75) (Zip Code) (21:76-80)

22. Total new members received this report year by:

a. Baptism _____
(14:46-48)

b. Transfer of Letter _____
(14:49-51)

c. Other _____
(14:52-54)

23. Total members lost this report year by:

a. Death _____
(14:55-57)

b. Transfer of Letter _____
(14:58-60)

c. Other _____
(14:61-63)

24. Church School figures:

a. Enrollment as of December 31: 25
(14:64-67)

b. Number of teachers as of Dec. 31: 5
(14:68-71)

c. Average attendance of pupils, officers, and teachers for this report year: 20
(14:72-75)

25. Enrollments as of December 31:

a. Women's Organizations

(15:18-20)

b. Men's Organizations

(15:21-23)

c. Children's Groups other than Church School

(15:24-26)

d. Youth Groups other than Church School

(15:27-29)

e. Adult Groups other than Church School

(15:30-32)

f. Usher Board

(15:33-35)

g. Choirs

(15:36-38)

III. Ministry of Witness

26. Does your church have a program of witness related to the following?

A. Evangelism through Preaching

Yes No

a. Did your church have a Preaching Mission? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:39)

b. Did your church have a Revival? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:40)

B. Evangelism through Visitation

a. Did your church have an intensive period of visitation? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:41)

b. Did your church have a year-round program of visitation? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:42)

c. Do lay persons participate in visitation? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:43)

C. Evangelism through Small Groups

a. Did your church have fellowship or "encounter" groups? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:44)

b. Did your church have study groups? ☒ 1 ☐ 2 (15:45)

c. Did your church have task forces? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:46)

D. Evangelism through Community Action

a. Did your church as a congregation participate in the witness of community action? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:47)

E. Evangelism through Cooperative Action

a. Did your church as a congregation engage in cooperative action with other congregations or groups in your community? ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:48)

F. Did your church have another type of program for ministry of witness?

☒ 1 ☐ 2 (15:49)

27. Did your church have a planning conference for officers and leaders this year? Yes ☒ 1 (15:50)

No ☐ 2 (15:50)

28. Does your church have a functioning library?

Yes ☐ 1 (15:51)

No ☒ 2 (15:51)

IV. Christian Education Information

29. Does your church offer special programming or permit use of facilities for any of the following:

Yes No

a. Aging ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:52)

b. Youth (other than B.Y.F.) ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:53)

c. Children

1. Day Care Center funded partially by federal government. ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:54)

2. Day Care Center funded by other than federal government. ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:55)

3. Week-day Nursery School ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:56)

4. Other ☐ 1 ☒ 2 (15:57)

30. Membership in Church School (Write figure in blank or write "None" if it applies.)

Birth through 3 years (Nursery) (16:18-20)

4-5 years (Kindergarten) (16:21-23)

Grades 1-2 (Primary) (16:24-26)

Grades 3-4 (Middler) (16:27-29)

Grades 5-6 (Junior) (16:30-32)

Grades 7-8 (Junior High) (16:33-35)

Grades 9-10 (Middle High) (16:36-38)

Grades 11-12 (Senior High) (16:39-41)

18-25 years

(16:42-44)

26-49 years

(16:45-47)

50-65 years

(16:48-49)

66+

(16:50-51)

Adults of mixed ages

(16:52-54)

31. Number of classes (Write figure in blank or write "None" if it applies.)

Birth through 3 years (Nursery)

none
(16:55-56)

4-5 years (Kindergarten)

1
(16:57-58)

Grades 1-2 (Primary)

1
(16:59-60)

Grades 3-4 (Middler)

1
(16:61-62)

Grades 5-6 (Junior)

1
(16:63-64)

Grades 7-8 (Junior High)

1
(16:65-66)

Grades 9-10 (Middle High)

none
(16:67-68)

Grades 11-12 (Senior High)

none
(16:69-70)

18-25 years

none
(16:71-72)

26-49 years

none
(16:73-74)

50-65 years

none
(16:75-76)

66+

none
(16:77-78)

Adults of mixed ages

(16:79-80)

32. Christian Education materials used by your church
(Check the squares that indicate the curriculum materials and the departments in which they are used. The darkened areas indicate age groups for which the listed curriculum materials do not apply.)

We use "Union Gospel" material

CURRICULUM MATERIALS

Departments or classes using materials	Judson Uniform Series	Judson Graded Series	ABEP "Elevative Principle" Resources for Adults	American Baptist Study Resources for Fellowship Groups	Judson Vacation Church School Texts	Cooperative Vacation Church School Texts	American Baptist Story Cards, Kindergarten Corner, and Magazines	Cooperative "Through-the-Week" Series	Recommended School of Mission Materials
NURSERY									
Birth—3 years		(17:18)			(17:19)		(17:20)		
KINDERGARTEN									
4-5 years		(17:21)			(17:22)	(17:23)	(17:24)		(17:25)
PRIMARY									
Grades 1-2	(17:26)	(17:27)			(17:28)	(17:29)	(17:30)	(17:31)	(17:32)
MIDDLER									
Grades 3-4		(17:33)			(17:34)		(17:35)	(17:36)	(17:37)
JUNIOR									
Grades 5-6	(17:38)	(17:39)		(17:40)	(17:41)	(17:42)	(17:43)	(17:44)	(17:45)
JUNIOR HIGH									
Grades 7-8	(17:46)	(17:47)		(17:48)	(17:49)		(17:50)	(17:51)	(17:52)
MIDDLE HIGH									
Grades 9-10	(17:53)	(17:54)		(17:55)			(17:56)	(17:57)	(17:58)
SENIOR HIGH									
Grades 11-12	(17:59)	(17:60)		(17:61)			(17:62)	(17:63)	(17:64)
YOUNG ADULT									
18-22 years	(17:65)	(17:66)	(17:67)	(17:68)			(17:69)		(17:70)
ADULT									
23 years +	(17:71)	(17:72)	(17:73)	(17:74)			(17:75)		(17:76)

33. If your church uses curriculum materials produced by another publisher check the square(s) below that show the publisher's name and the age group with which the materials are used. (Use check (✓) mark only.)

	National Baptist Convention of America	Presbyterian U.S.A.	Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.	Southern Baptist Convention	United Church of Christ	United Presbyterian U.S.A.	David C. Cook	Gospel Light	Scripture Press	Standard	Union Gospel Press	Other	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(X)	(12)	
Preschool Children (Birth through 5 years)											✓		(18:18)
Elementary Age (Grades 1-6 or ages 6-12)											✓		(18:19)
Youth (Grades 7-12 or ages 12-18)													(18:20)
Young Adults (Ages 18-25)											✓		(18:21)
Adult (Age 26 and above)													(18:22)

34. Number of members of local church:

a. Attending an ABC-related college or university.

(18:23-25)

b. Attending other private or church related college or university.

(18:26-28)

c. Attending public supported college or university.

(18:29-31)

d. Attending vocational, technical, or special school(s).

(18:32-33)

35. Does your church (or any of its organizations) maintain a scholarship fund to assist students to get education beyond high school?

Yes ☐ 1 (18:34)
No ☒ 2 (18:34)

36. What is the approximate total of all annual scholarships the fund produces?

\$xx
(18:35-38)

V. Your Church's Financial Stewardship Record

When entering figures, round out to whole dollars. If the answer is "none," draw a line through the space provided.

37. Total income received. (All sources.)

\$ 1622xx
(18:39-44)

38. Income from Endowment or Invested Funds only.

\$xx
(18:45-50)

39. Total expended for current local expenses. (Do not include building fund or mission. Include Pastor's salary.)

\$ 1,607xx
(18:51-56)

40. Total contributed to capital improvements or the church's building fund.

\$ 400xx
(18:57-62)

41. Total amount contributed to the AMERICAN BAPTIST MISSION BUDGET.

\$ 35.00xx
(18:63-68)

Indicate below amount given:

a. Love Gifts of Woman's Society

\$xx

b. Undesignated Gifts

\$ 17.00xx

c. America for Christ Offering

\$ 10.00xx

d. World Fellowship Offering

\$ 8.00xx

e. Designated Gifts

\$xx

f. M & M Communion Fellowship Offering

\$xx

g. Institutional Support

\$xx

h. Specifics

\$xx

i. Campaigns for ABC Work

\$xx

j. Validated Local Ministries

\$xx

we gave 40 Special missionary

105.00

42. Amount contributed to Other Benevolences

\$xx
(18:69-72)

Indicate below amount given:

a. American Bible Society

\$xx

b. American Leprosy Mission

\$xx

c. Other Association or National Convention

\$xx

d. S.C.L.C. and/or N.A.A.C.P.

\$xx

e. United Negro College Fund

\$xx

f. Other (Specify)

\$xx

43. Which budget system did your church use this report year?
- A single budget (one pledge for entire church program.) ☐ 1 (18:73)
 - A dual budget (one pledge for local expenses and one pledge for wider missions.) ☐ 2 (18:73)
 - A dual budget (one pledge for church program and one pledge for building fund.) ☐ 3 (18:73)
 - A triple budget (one pledge for local expenses, one for missions, one for building fund.) ☐ 4 (18:73)
 - Church does not operate on any type of budget. ☐ 5 (18:73)

44. In which of the following did your church participate? (Check all that apply.)
- Complete Every Member Canvass ☐ 1 (18:74)
 - Partial Every Member Canvass ☐ 2 (18:74)
 - Complete Percentage Giving Program ☐ 1 (18:75)
 - Partial Percentage Giving Program ☐ 2 (18:75)
 - Financial Drives for Special Purposes ☐ 1 (18:76)
 - Other Organized Financial Program ☐ 1 (18:77)
 - No organized financial program as such ☐ 2 (18:77)

45. Check how your church participated in the following program. (Materials were sent free to your church.)

	<i>Used material to promote and receive the offerings</i>	<i>Used material for educational purposes only</i>	<i>Received offering but did not use material</i>	<i>No partici- pation</i>	
America for Christ	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	(18:78)
World Fellowship	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	(18:79)
Communion Fellowship	☐ 1	☐ 2	☐ 3	☐ 4	(18:80)

VI. Pastor's Compensation and Professional Expenses

(If your church has more than one pastor, record information for Senior Pastor on this form.)

46. Actual Compensation and Allowances paid by church: (Round off to whole dollars.)

- A. Parsonage
Does your church provide a parsonage? Yes ☐ 1 (19:18)
No ☐ 2 (19:18)

B. Compensation

- Pastor's Cash Salary (Give amount in budget for the year if no pastor.) \$.....XX
(19:19-23)
- Rental value of living quarters, including any allowance for utilities* \$.....XX
or
Cash housing allowance, including any allowance for utilities* \$.....XX
(19:24-27)

*Utilities include telephone, light, heat, water, etc.

47. Professional Expenses

- M & M Benefit Program \$.....XX
(19:28-32)
- Automobile Allowance \$.....XX
(19:33-36)
- Convention Expenses \$.....XX
(19:37-40)
- Continuing Education Expenses \$.....XX
(19:41-44)
- Other (Specify)..... \$.....XX
(19:45-48)

48. Does your church provide its pastor opportunity for a continuing education experience in addition to an annual vacation?

Yes ☐ 1 (19:49)
No ☐ 2 (19:49)

ADDITIONAL DIRECTORY

Please give name and mailing address of the following church leaders and officers. If new officers are to take up their duties by January 31, give their names. If your church does not have such a position filled, indicate by writing the word "NONE" in the blank.

NAME OF CHAIRMAN (OR PRESIDENT)

ADDRESS

-
Chairman Responsible for
Annual Budget
-
Evangelism
-
Finance
-
Men's Fellowship or
Key Layman

NOTE: Please attach list of all other officers and leaders.

Camp.

Sep 12: A short business meeting was held. It was voted to hire Donald Merritt to paint the church Belfry. Members also voted to have the settee and two chairs reupholstered. It was decided to have **Dawn Knapp** and **Velora Black** look for a piano for the church.

Sep 26: **Harold Carpenter** had the church services while our pastor was away.

Nov: We are thankful that the end of Nov, it was possible for our pastor to move to Amity to minister to us full-time.

December: I believe the Lord has blessed us during this past year. He made it possible for several improvements to be made on the church. We have witnessed answers to prayer. One of our children attended Living Waters Camp last summer at which time she made a decision for the Lord. We are now praying that our church will grow and show forth Christ in our community.

Sandra Libby, Clerk

The Year in Review: 1972

January: The **Annual Business meeting** was held following a pot-luck supper. **Bill Libby** acted as moderator.

Minutes of the previous year's meeting was read; and other reports were given. The treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$328.79; and the missionary account a balance of \$261.80.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given and the following were elected to fill the various positions:

Clerk: **Sandra Libby**

Treasurer: **Velora Black**

Asst Treasurer: **Bill Libby**

Pulpit Committee: **Jackie Seamans, Velora Black, Sandra Libby**

Trustee: **Bill Libby, Marion Libby, Velora Black**

Building Committee: **Marion Libby, Dawn Knapp, Velora Black, Jackie Seamans**

Pianists: **Duane Knapp, Della Davis**

Deacon: **Bill Libby**

Supper Committee: **Della Davis, Lorraine McKinney, Ruth Stewart**

SS Superintendent: **Robert Hinton**

SS Treasurer: **Jackie Seamans**

Asst SS Treasurer: **Dawn Knapp**

Nominating Committee: **Sandra Libby, Velora Black, Jackie Seamans**

It was reported that there was such a repetition of officers due to the fact that several members did not wish to serve as officers.

We were unable to accept the reports because there was not a quorum of members present.

Mr. Hinton read the Constitution of the Amity Baptist Church and several issues were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned in prayer by Mr Hinton.

January 2: **Eddie Henderson** had the morning and evening services due to the illness of our pastor.

February 7: A **Dedication Service** was held for the **Communion Table** given in memory of **Alton Black**.

March: **Mr Linwood Putnam** held a week of special services at which time ten people accepted Christ as their Savior.

April 4: A business meeting was held following prayer meeting.

An invitation and request for contribution for the retirement party of Mr & Mrs Elmer Bentley was read. It was decided not to contribute.

The church voted to send \$50.00 to New Brunswick Bible Institute besides the \$75.00 given to Mr Putnam for his week of special services.

It was voted to send \$25.00 to **Ross & Kathy Hodsdon** to help them buy supplies to go to Brazil.

It was decided to hold a business meeting every second Sunday of the month following morning worship service.

It was voted to revise our membership and bring it up to date. All members were to be contacted.

The officers and reports given at the Annual Business Meeting were voted upon and accepted.

April 30: A short meeting was held after the evening service.

Jim Gray had been contacted to estimate the cost of shingling the north side of the church roof. The price given was \$410.00. It was tabled until a later date.

It was voted to send Ross & Kathy \$15.00 each month to help support their missionary work.

It was decided that a committee would go to look at a trailer in Cary as a possible parsonage. The committee appointed was: Jackie, Della, Marion & Velora. It was also decided that Billy would contact the bank to see if the church could borrow money if needed to purchase the trailer.

May 30: A short meeting was held.

We voted to have Mr Hinton work on the Constitution.

It was also voted to have Daily Vacation Bible School the week of June 19.

June 11: A letter from Mapleton Bible Camp was read requesting we work on repairs of a cabin. The letter was tabled.

It was voted to pay 1/2 of the expenses for any children who wished to go to Living Waters or Mapleton. Ten of our children attended camps.

August 23: A meeting was held with members voting to purchase a mobile-home for a parsonage.

A committee was selected to look at land sites and go to the bank to borrow \$6,000.00 to cover all the expenses.

September 10: Voted to take \$100.00 from Sunday School Account to pay on the trailer loan; and also to pay \$20.00 to **Dawn Knapp** for the transferring of the deed of the lot she donated to the church for the trailer.

October 8: Voted to accept the **Constitution** Mr Hinton had presented.

Voted to give Living Waters \$10.00 a month support.

December: We lost five members - **Richard Anderson, Mr & Mrs Lewis Weatherbee, Joyce Sutter** - this year by transferring of letters to other churches. **Grace Pullen** was lost through death. Three members wished their name removed from membership roll - **Carol Wilcox, Minnie Williams, Charlie Little**. Our pastor, **Robert Hinton**, transferred his membership to our church.

The Year in Review: 1973

January 9: The **Annual Business Meeting** was opened with prayer by **Pastor Bob Hinton**.

Roll Call and clerk's report were given.

Sunday School officers reports were given and showed an increase in attendance from 20 a year ago to 32 this past year.

The Pastor's report was given and showed an increase in attendance in all church services this past year. The Pastor's goals for 1973 were: increase of attendance to 100, increase in visitation program, purchase a church bus, repair roof, possible radio ministry, home Bible studies, and spiritual growth.

The Nominating Committee report was given and approved as follows:

Clerk: **Dawn Knapp**

Treasurer: **Billy Libby**

Asst Treasurer: **Sandra Libby**

Pulpit Committee: **Velora Black, Goldie Farrar, Della Davis**

Trustees: **Velora Black, Jackie Seamans, Marion Libby, Dawn Knapp**

SS Superintendent: **Jackie Seamans**

SS Treasurer: **Ruth Stewart**

Asst SS Treasurer: **Judy Putnam**

All reports were accepted as presented.

The members voted to send **Ann MacDonald** and **Walter Curran** each \$25.00 to help on their tuition at New Brunswick Bible Institute.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

CONSTITUTION OF THE AMITY BAPTIST CHURCH, AMITY, MAINE

REVISED, OCTOBER, 1972

PREAMBLE:

We as a group of believers in the Lord Jesus Christ feel that it is necessary for us to have a definite set of rules to follow so that this Church will always remain true to the Word of God and the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, have adopted the following as our constitution:

ARTICLE I. Name

The name of this organization shall be called the AMITY BAPTIST CHURCH.

ARTICLE II. Purpose

The purpose of this church shall be, first, to bring people to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, second, to cause them to grow in the knowledge and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and train them to be effective Christians in this present world, third, to give encouragement and direction to as many as possible into full-time Christian service here and abroad.

ARTICLE III. Membership

Section 1.

A person may become a member of this church by placing their trust in the Lord Jesus Christ and being baptized. They may also become a member by transfer of their letter from their former church to this church if they are of like faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Section 2.

All candidates who have requested membership by baptism shall be examined by the Deacons and the Pastor as to their experience in Christ and why they want to become a member of this church. The Pastor and Deacons will recommend to the church either acceptance or disapproval and then the church members will vote on their recommendation. All candidates must share in the classes on church membership and baptism given by the Pastor in order to become members of this church.

Section 3.

A member of good standing may transfer their membership at any time by asking for a letter of dismissal in order to join another church of like faith. If a member moves away they should try to find a gospel preaching church and then transfer their membership to such a church and let their home church know about the change in membership.

Section 4.

Only members who are in good standing and are sixteen years of age and older shall have voting privileges in this church.

ARTICLE IV. Duties of the Members.

Section 1.

It is expected that all members of this body of believers in the Lord Jesus Christ be faithful in the work of this church, by upholding the work in prayer, and being present at all services of the church. They must be ready and willing to do whatever is asked of them to further the work of the Lord in this church. Each member is expected to give as the Lord has prospered them to both the current and missionary expenses.

Section 2.

If a resident member has not been to and participated in the activities of the church by their presence and their giving for a period of one year, they shall be placed on an inactive list, shall lose all voting privileges and shall not be allowed to hold any office in the church. They shall no longer be considered a member in good standing. A resident member shall be dropped automatically after a period of two years on the inactive list from the church membership roll. The Clerk will be expected to examine the Church roll and keep it up to date in this regard and make a report at the Annual Meeting.

Section 3.

A member who has moved away shall if they desire retain their membership in this church by being placed on a non-resident list. They will be expected to report each year either in person or by letter

asking that their membership be retained on our membership roll. A non-resident member shall not have a vote in this church. A non-resident member if not heard from in a period of three years shall be automatically dropped from our membership roll.

ARTICLE V. Officers.

Section 1.

The Officers of this church shall be as follows: Pastor, Moderator, Deacons, Clerk, Treasurer, Sunday School Superintendent, Sunday School Secretary and Treasurer and Auditor.

Section 2.

a. The Pastor shall be called for an indefinite period of time but he may ask for a vote of confidence at any time he wishes. The relationship between a Pastor and the church may be terminated at any time either by the Pastor or the Church. The Church must have a vote of three-fourths of the people present in order to dismiss a Pastor. The Pastor or the Church which ever one does the terminating must give a month's notice.

b. The duties of the Pastor shall be as follows: He shall be faithful in the preaching of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and shall instruct the people how to live an effective Christian life, he shall instruct them in the whole Word of God. He shall lead all the services held by the Church. He shall serve communion with the help of the Deacons. He shall visit the people in the community and also the people in the hospital, old folks homes, etc. He shall be on all committees in the Church but just as an advisor and he shall have no voting privileges. He shall hold no other office in the Church. He shall at all times have access to all the church records and books.

c. The Pastor's salary shall be paid weekly. He shall have two weeks vacation a year with pay. Any other time off for evangelistic crusades or other meetings must be voted on by the church members.

Section 3.

The Moderator shall be elected at the Annual Meeting and shall serve for a period of one year. He shall conduct all business meetings of the Church. If he is not present the Clerk will open the meeting and then a temporary Moderator will be elected.

Section 4.

The Board of Deacons shall consist of no more than seven members. They shall be elected by the Church members for a period of three years. His duties shall be as follows: to assist the Pastor in visitation, in the spiritual welfare of the people, preparing and serving the Lord's Supper and preparation of the Baptismal services. The standards for a Deacon will be found in I Tim. 3:8-13.

Section 5.

The Clerk shall keep all the records of the Church, shall record all the minutes at each business meeting, shall keep the church membership rolls accurate and up to date. The Clerk shall notify all non-resident members of the Annual Meeting stating what they must do to retain their membership. It shall also be their responsibility to tell all church members of each business meeting in the Church. The Clerk will give a full report of the activities of the Church at the Annual Meeting.

Section 6.

The Treasurer shall handle all finances of the Church and shall pay all bills that the Church acquires. The Treasurer shall give a full financial report at the Annual Meeting.

Section 7.

The Sunday School Superintendent shall be elected by the Church for a period of one year. The Superintendent will plan the curriculum for the year with the help of the Sunday School teachers. The Superintendent shall meet each month with the teachers to work out any problems in the school. He shall also plan the DVBS program.

Section 8.

The Secretary and Treasurer of the Sunday School has to be appointed by the Church, and shall serve for one year. It shall be the duty of the Secretary and Treasurer to keep all attendance and financial records of the Sunday School and to give a full report at the Annual Meeting.

Section 9.

The Auditor shall be appointed by the Church and shall audit the financial records at least once a year, and give a full report at the Annual Meeting.

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ARTICLE VI Committees

Section 1.

The Pulpit Committee shall consist of the Board of Deacons and the Church Clerk. They shall be responsible for the acquiring of men to fill the pulpit whenever necessary. When the pulpit has been vacate because of a death, removal or resignation of a Pastor they shall look for a candidate to replace him. They must be sure that the candidate which they select believes in the Plenary-verbal inspiration of the scriptures, the Virgin Birth of Christ, His Deity, death, burial and bodily resurrection. He must also believe that salvation is only through the shed blood of Jesus Christ and that everyone "must be born again." He must believe in the imminent return of the Lord Jesus Christ. The pulpit committee should go and hear the man they think may be a suitable candidate and after hearing him speak question him on his beliefs. Then if they still feel he is a suitable candidate they may invite him to speak at any of the Sunday services. The members of the Church should be notified that a candidate is coming to speak at least two weeks in advance. After the service the candidate should be questioned as to his beliefs by all the members of the Church. If he is still found suitable a church meeting shall be called and a vote taken in regards to calling the man as a Pastor. The people should be informed of the voting at least a week in advance and there must be a three-fourths majority in order to extend a call to a man. The Pulpit Committee shall consist of no more than seven members and a quorum shall be three.

Section 2.

The Nominating Committee shall prepare a list of officers and committees to be voted on at the Annual Meeting. They shall be responsible to replace all vacancies that occur during the year. There shall be three members on this committee elected each year.

Section 3.

The Trustees shall be four in number and they shall be responsible for the unkeep of the Church. Before they can spend any large amounts of money they must have the members of the Church vote on the project.

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ARTICLE VII. Meetings

Section 1.

The Church shall meet every Lord's Day for both morning and evening services. The Sunday School shall meet each Lord's Day for study in the Word of God. There shall be a mid-week Prayer and Bible study each week on Tuesday or whatever day seems most suitable. The Lord's Supper shall be served on the first Sunday of each month either in the morning or evening service.

Section 2.

The Annual Meeting shall be held on the second Tuesday of January. At this meeting, all reports from officers, committees, etc. shall be read and voted on. The new slate of officers shall be read and voted on.

A quorum of seven members of good standing is needed to perform any business and for the meeting to be legal. This meeting must be announced from the pulpit at least two weeks in advance.

Section 3.

The second Sunday of each month directly after the morning worship service there shall be a regular business meeting. A special business meeting may be called at any time by the Pastor, Clerk, or any five members in good standing who shall present a written request to the Clerk stating the reason they want the meeting. At all meetings of this Church there must be a quorum of seven members and there must be a majority vote in order for any motion to pass.

Section 4.

All members in good standing and are sixteen and older are eligible to cast one vote at all meetings.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

Section 1.

This Constitution may be amended at any legally called business meeting of the Church by a two-thirds vote of those present who have voting privileges.

Section 2.

The rules and regulations adopted in this Constitution shall make null and void all former rules, acts and regulations for the operation of this church. 407

AMENDMENTS

Article III.

Section 1. A person shall be required to go through a trial period of six months before they can be accepted as a member by transfer of membership.

Article IV.

Section 2. A resident member will lose voting privileges after ~~six~~ ^{Three} months of inactivity and after ~~one year~~ ^{SIX MONTHS} will be dropped from our membership roll.

Section 3. A member who has moved away shall be retained on our membership roll for a length of six months at which time even though not united with another church shall be dropped from our membership roll.

Article V.

Section 2b. The Pastor shall be responsible for upholding the high standard of the church's testimony by administering discipline to church members according to the scripture in Matt. 18:15-17.

February 11: Pastor Hinton moderated the **Monthly Business Meeting**.

A letter from **Underground Evangelism** asking for money was read and tabled.

Pastor asked us to decide about spending our missionary money as we had \$450.00 on hand. It was voted to increase the monthly donation to **Living Waters Bible Camp** from \$15.00 to \$25.00.

Meeting was closed in prayer.

March 11: **Monthly Business Meeting** was held with Pastor Hinton as Moderator.

Margaret Knapp was voted in as a member of the Church.

Discussed the **America for Christ Offering** - Relief Appeal. It was voted not to give to this mission.

A letter was read from **Nancy Anderson** informing us she is leaving the mission field in Newfoundland and will be returning home. What to do with the mission support money was discussed and tabled for now.

Dan Loinle is coming to Hodgdon High School and we were asked to pay \$25.00 towards his expenses. It was voted to pay the \$25.00.

There was a discussion on having a radio ministry. The matter was tabled for now.

April 8: **Monthly Business Meeting** was held with the Pastor as Moderator.

It was voted and carried to have Pastor Hinton be moderator for all monthly meetings this year.

It was voted to have the piano tuned.

Larry and Mellisa Strout will be coming to speak the last of April. It was voted to give them \$25.00 to help with their expenses.

It was voted to pay \$110.00 on **Wally Currans** tuition at New Brunswick Bible Institute.

Mr Charles McKinney gave his piano to the church and had it tuned. It's very nice.

May 9: **Monthly Business Meeting** was held with Pastor Hinton as Moderator.

David & Ada Lasell will be taking Nancy Anderson's post in Newfoundland. It was voted to send support to them in the amount of \$20.00.

Discussed sending children to summer camp. It was voted to pay 1/2 of each child's cost.

Dave Daniels is coming to speak. He is seeking support to go to England as a missionary. Voted to give him \$20.00 for expenses on his trip here.

The Trustees (Velora, Marion, Jackie and Dawn) to see people about the roof. It was voted to give them right to hire it done.

Pastor Hinton asked for permission to work at Living Waters for the complete season. It was voted to grant this permission.

It was voted to raise the pastor's salary to \$35.00.

Discussed making the following changes to the Constitution:

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Article III.

Section 1. A person shall be required to go through a trial period of six months before they can be accepted as a member by transfer of membership.

Article IV.

Section 2. A resident member will lose voting privileges after ^{three} ~~six~~ months of inactivity and after ^{six months} ~~one year~~ will be dropped from our membership roll.

Section 3. A member who has moved away shall be retained on our membership roll for a length of six months at which time even though not united with another church shall be dropped from our membership roll.

Exempt for members that have been on for number of years.

Article V.

Section 2b. The Pastor shall be responsible for upholding the high standard of the church's testimony by administering discipline to church members according to the scripture in Matt. 18:15-17.

June: No meeting

July 8: **Monthly Business Meeting** with Pastor Hinton as moderator.

A letter from the **Christian Civic League** asking for money to send the Bubars to the Holy Land was read. It was voted not to give.

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AMENDMENTS

Article III.

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Article IV.

Section 2. A resident member will lose voting privileges after ^{three} ~~six~~ months of inactivity and after ^{six months} ~~one year~~ will be dropped from our membership roll.

Section 3. A member who has moved away shall be retained on our membership roll for a length of six months at which time even though not united with another church shall be dropped from our membership roll. *Except for members that have been on for number of years.*

Article V.

Section 2b. The Pastor shall be responsible for upholding the high standard of the church's testimony by administering discipline to church members according to the scripture in Matt. 18:15-17.

A letter from the **Mapleton Camps** was read asking for support on building a swimming pool. It was voted not to give.

The roof shingling was completed by Virgil Farrar.

September 9: Monthly Business Meeting with Pastor as moderator.

Voted to accept new members as follows:

by letter: **Laura McGary**

by baptism: **Lisa Estabrook, Lucy Estabrook, Lynette Libby, Lisha Libby, Craig Libby.**

Voted to send \$100.00 to **Living Waters.**

October 14: Monthly Business Meeting with Pastor as moderator.

There were 8 voting members and 5 junior members present.

The Pastor took us through the Amendments that had been made in regards to our Constitution and explained the reason for the action. It was moved by the Pastor to have the length of time before administering church discipline lessened to three months for losing voting privileges and six months of inactivity before losing church membership. It was passed by unanimous vote.

November 11: Monthly Business Meeting with Pastor as moderator.

Pastor Bob said he had invited **John Mahar** to come to speak. John is seeking support to go to Japan as a missionary. It was voted to give him \$20.00 for expenses of speaking engagement.

December 9: Monthly Business Meeting with Pastor as moderator.

It was voted to support **John Mahar** with \$10.00 a month.

Laura McGary asked to have her name removed from church rolls. It was voted to comply with her wish.

Highlights:

We have much to thank our Lord for. He has richly blessed our church this past year. He has enabled us to send support to new missionaries, to shingle one side of the church roof, and help our young people attend Bible camp. We also had good attendance at our Daily Vacation Bible School.

The ladies of the Church are having a real good time in the Lord in their morning prayer and Bible study group. They started with five members and now have from ten to twelve. I believe we all have been drawn closer to the Lord.

Our pastor held a baptism in the fall and five of our young people followed the Lord into the waters of baptism. We received eight new members into our fellowship this past year as follows:

by baptism: **Lynette, Lisha and Craig Libby** and **Lisa and Lucia Estabrook.** by letter of transfer: **Avon Stewart, Margaret Knapp and Laura McGary.**

I sign this report letter with a prayer that each one of us may strive to live a more dedicated Christian life that our church may grow for the honor and glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Dawn Knapp, Clerk

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January: Monthly Business Meeting with Pastor as moderator.

Duane Grey wants to come speak on work in Newfoundland.

February 10: Monthly Business Meeting with Pastor as moderator.

Voted to send Duane Grey \$25.00 towards expenses when he comes to speak to us and show slides on Newfoundland.

March 17: Monthly Business Meeting with Pastor as moderator.

Pastor Hinton made an offer to us that if we pay him \$40.00 in place of the \$35.00 we now do, he would take over the finances of the parsonage to make it easier for the church. There was some discussion, but moved, seconded, and accepted by all present.

Voted to give \$12 to **Woman's Misionary Society** to finish the 1973 quota.

April: Monthly Business Meeting with Pastor as moderator.

A man from the **Gideon Society** is coming to speak. It was voted to give him \$25.00.

May: No meeting.

June 9: Monthly Business Meeting with Pastor as moderator.

A letter from **Hospital Chaplancy Service** asking if they could come speak at our church was read. The matter was tabled.

It was voted to allow Pastor Hinton to go to **Living Waters** for the summer season.

June 16: Special Business Meeting

Prayers and visits to **Clifford and Alwilda Williams** have not brought them back to church. So in accordance with our Constitution, they shall be dismissed from the church rolls. Unanimous vote to remove them from the rolls.

July 14: Dottie Estabrook spoke about wanting to have her wedding held in the Amity Church. Permission was granted.

Aug 11: Monthly Business Meeting.

A letter from **William Libby** was read requesting he be allowed to resign from his position as Treasurer of our Church. Permission was granted.

September: Monthly Business Meeting.

A letter from the bank was read concerning interest rates on the parsonage loan. Bob went to talk with them and found there was nothing that could be done. We will have to sign the note every six months.

It was voted to accept the hymn books offered to us by the Military Street Baptist Church.

Money was found in the safe after Bill turned the books over to the Assistant Treasurer. It was voted to put the money in the building fund.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE: 1974

Name	Residency		Status		Dismissal			Other
	Res	Non	Active	Inactive	Ltr Transfer	Discipline	Constitution	
Velora Black	X		X					
Dawn Knapp	X		X					
Marion Libby	X					X		non-member due to discipline
Goldie Farrar	X		X					
Lorraine McKinney	X		X					
Bill Libby	X					X		non-member due to discipline
Sandra Libby	X							dismissed by her request
Ruth Stewart	X		X					
Jackie Seamans	X							letter voted on
Clifford Williams	X			X			X	vote of church
Alwilda Williams	X			X				vote of church
Della Davis	X			X				
Perry Knapp	X			X				
Duane Knapp	X			X				
David Knapp		X		X				
Darrell Williams	X						X	vote of church
Glenn Williams	X							vote of church
Judith Putnam	X							dismissed at her request
Robert Hinton		X	X					
Avon Stewart	X		X					
Margaret Knapp	X			X				letter of dismissal
Floyd Lycette	X			X				Deceased
Laura McGary	X							dismissed per ltr of request
Lynette Libby	X							
Lisha Libby	X				45			
Craig Libby	X							

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Name	Residency			Status		Dismissal			Other
	Res	Non		Active	Inactive	Ltr Transfer	Discipline	Constitution	
Lisa Estabrook	X				X				
Lucie Estabrook	X				X				
Wanda Lindsay	X				X				7.8.76
Nancy Anderson	X				X				dismissal request 11.75
Rosie Collins	X				X				6.27.76
Alice Lindsay	X								dismissal request 6.27.76
Sandra Lindsay	X				X				6.27.76
Kenneth Kervin	X				X				6.27.76
Julia Putnam	X								dismissal request 6.27.76
Martin Putnam	X				X				6.27.76
Hollis Seamans		X			X				6.27.76
Heidi Hall	X				X				
Patricia Campbell	X								
Gena Quint	X								
Eldon Campbell Jr	X					X			
Laura McGary	X								granted membership
Robert Putnam	X								pastor
Sandra Putnam	X								
Brett Putnam	X								
Ronald Foley	X								
Jenny Foley	X								
Harold Lindsay	X								dismissal request
Carol Bartlett	X								
Donna Putnam	X								
Susie Putnam	X								
Eugene Knapp	X								
Gary Lightbody	X								
Bill Day					X				pastor
Jerry Day					X				
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Name	Residency		Complete Survey	Status		Dismissal			Other
	Res	Non		Active	Inactive	Ltr Transfer	Discipline	Constitution	
Virginia Hempstead		X			X				Deceased
Martha Knapp		X							
Geraldine Smart		X			X				
Mary Erickson		X			X				
Wendall Lycette		X			X				Dismissal request Dismissal request Return to active status
Phillip Hall		X			X				
Ida Knapp		X	X		X				
Patricia Lynds		X	X		X				
Warden Boone		X	X						Dismissal request Dismissal request Return to active status
Muriel Boone		X	X						
Patricia Campbell		X	X						
Alton Dwyer		X			X				
Eugene McEntee		X	X		X				Deceased
Marion Boles		X	X						
Linwood Farrar		X			X				
Marjorie Carr		X	X		X				
Ervin Carr		X	X		X				Deceased
Glenda Little		X	X		X				
Dorothy Wilcox		X			X				
Effie Williams		X	X		X				
Gloria Hall		X			X				Deceased
Frances Hall		X			X				
Hazel Farrar		X	X		X				
Laurence Lavasseur		X			X				
Fred Boocker		X			X				Deceased
Hollis Seamans		X			X				
David Knapp		X			X				
Kenneth Kervin		X			X				
Wanda Lindsay		X			X				

December: Business Meeting with Pastor as moderator.

Voted to amend the Constitution to read "6 members needed to have a quorum."

Voted to pay to send our young people to a retreat at New Brunswick Bible Institute.

Voted to raise the pastor's salary by \$10.00 per week.

Voted to get State Compensation Insurance as it is the law.

Voted to pay 1/2 of young peoples' cost to attend summer camp; and to pay all if they are unable to.

Discussed taking Gary Lightbody in as a non-resident church member. Unanimous vote of yes.

Report of Clerk:

We have much to thank our Lord for. He has richly blessed our church and given us strength and courage to face each day though many trials and heartaches over the past weeks. And He has provided for all the needs of our church and more.

Each of the services have been well attended.

We thank God for our young people. Many of them attended Living Waters where five of them accepted Christ as their Savior. We praise God for this.

We have had many prayers answered in this past year. God is ever faithful, so let us be resolved to go forward for Him - for His honor and glory.

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January 5:

January 5, 1975

We desire to have a special meeting on January 7, 1975, following the regular prayer service, concerning a Pastor's Council.

Signed,

Avon Stewart, Jr.

Ruth B. Stewart

James H. H. H.

Jacqueline Seaman

Judith Putnam

February: The results of the **Pastor's Council** follows...

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January 31, 1975

The Amity Baptist Church
c/o Mr. Avon Stewart
North Amity, Me. 04465

Dear Friends and Brethren in our Lord,

Based on our meeting of January 30, 1975 at your church, the appointed counsel comprised of the Rev. Paul Neff, the Rev. Daniel Courter, the Rev. Wendell Calder, and Mr. Avon Stewart, along with a moderator, the Rev. Lewis Ruff, makes the following observations and recommendation.

On the basis of concrete evidence presented by all parties concerned, this counsel does not believe that any charge of immorality has been substantiated against the Rev. Robert Winton. It does, however, believe that the Rev. Robert Winton may not have used proper discretion in the way that he handled these matters.

We would recommend that Mr. and Mrs. William Tibby seek spiritual counsel agreeable to both regarding their marital relationship.

Very cordially yours,

Rev. Lewis Ruff, Jr.

The Rev. Lewis Ruff, Jr., moderator
the Rev. Paul Neff
The Rev. Daniel Courter
The Rev. Wendell Calder
Mr. Avon Stewart

Copies to: Messrs. Ruff, Neff, Courter, Calder, and Stewart

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- March:** Pastor Hinton has told us he may leave our church. We know he will do what the Spirit leads. There has been much talk and trouble. We believe God must have a reason for all this to happen. We trust He will lead us through.
- PS: Pastor Bob has decided to stay. Thank God that He was faithful in answering prayer.
- April 13: Monthly Business Meeting** with pastor as moderator.
Discussed whether to ask **Mr Clark** to come speak. He is home on leave from the mission field. Voted to ask and give him \$25.00 by unanimous vote of members present.
Voted to have furnace cleaned.
- May 11: Monthly Business Meeting** with pastor as moderator.
Six voting members and three junior members present.
Man from **Gideons** requested to speak. It was voted to allow him to speak and to give him \$25.00.
Discussed taking \$150.00 from Sunday School account and putting it into Building Fund. Passed by unanimous vote.
Unanimous vote to give \$50.00 to Patti Henderson to go to Bolovia.
- July 13: Monthly Business Meeting** with pastor as moderator.
It was questioned whether we continue to send our missionary support money to Ross and Cathy while they are home on leave. It was decided that they are still working for the Lord. All present voted to continue to send their support money.
Ray Busehard asked to buy the piano we are not using. It was voted to sell it for \$25.00.
- September 28: Monthly Business Meeting** with pastor as moderator.
Seven voting members present.
A letter was read asking us to dismiss **Mr & Mr Warden Boone** from church rolls. It was voted to do so.
Young people without Bibles was discussed and it was decided to buy some to give to those without.
Pastor Bob asked us to think about getting some country-western song books for Sunday evening services. It was voted to do so.
Three weeks ago we had a singing quartet come to our church. Bob mentioned sending them some money for expenses. It was voted to send \$10.00 to each couple.
- October: Monthly Business Meeting** with pastor as moderator.
Pastor Bob advised that he was going as a candidate at Canaan, Maine.
He asked that we pray for him, and for ourselves that we would be willing to let the Lord lead us as a body to be yielded to Him.
- November: Monthly Business Meeting** with pastor as moderator and only one item on the agenda.
Nancy Anderson has had her letter of dismissal from Military Street Baptist Church sent to Amity Baptist Church asking that she join with us. All present voted to accept her as a member as she has always been very faithful in attendance and participation during the past year.
- December 14: Monthly Business Meeting** with pastor as moderator.
We have been invited to attend the **New Year's Eve Service** at Hodgdon.
Discussed using money from Missionary Fund to purchase Christmas gifts for Sunday school children.
All present voted yes on both items.
- Year End Report:**
To our Pastor and members of Amity Baptist Church:
With grateful hearts we come to the end of another year.
God has blessed our church, it seems, and more than in past years. He has answered many prayers and led us through many trying times.
There have been new people come in to worship with us. One member joined our church by letter of transfer.

Our young peoples group has grown in numbers and we thank God for their faithfulness - and to our pastor who is a faithful leader to them. We have had the privilege of having some of our missionaries come to speak to us and tell about their work. It was very interesting and we all enjoyed their visits. We also had very good times as Living Waters Bible Camp. Once more we thank God for his faithfulness in providing for all our needs as a church.

Dawn Knapp, Clerk

The Year in Review: 1976

January 17: Annual Business Meeting with **Pastor Bob Hinton** as moderator.

The following reports were accepted as presented: Clerk, Treasurer, SS Superintendent.

Pastor's report showed an increase in attendance. Average attendance to various events is as follows:

Sunday School - 33; Worship - morning 29 and evening 28; Prayer service - 17; Bible school - 41.

There were new missions added and the giving of this church can be compared to any in the state.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Officers were elected as follows:

Clerk: **Dawn Knapp**

Treasurer: **Avon Stewart**

Asst Treasurer: **Ruth Stewart**

Sunday School Superintendent: **Nancy Anderson**

SS Secretary/Treasurer: **Jackie Seamans**

Asst SS Sec/Treas: **Judy Putnam**

Trustees: **Sandra Libby, Avon Stewart, Judy Putnam, Ruth Stewart**

Supper Committee: **Alice Lindsay, Laura McGary, Pat Esterbrook, Wanda Lindsay**

A letter was read from **Benjamin Bubar** requesting permission to come and speak. It was voted not to accept his offer.

A long discussion on whether to take inactive members off our rolls. It was voted to do so.

See letters attached concerning Bill and Marion Libby. It was decided that all members should talk to them to see if they wish to return to fellowship with us.

It was voted to send a letter to **State Convention** to say we are or do not wish to be a member.

It was voted and carried to raise the Pastor's salary from \$50 to \$60.00.

It was voted to pay Halden Seamans \$5.00 each time he plowed.

Dear Marion,

This letter is to inform you that you are no longer a member of the Amity Baptist Church. The vote was taken on January 17, 1976 and the vote was unanimous.

The reasons for your removal as a member are as follows:

1. Malicious gossip about the church members and the Pastor
2. Undue harm done to the testimony of the church
3. Failure to attend any meeting of the church for a period of six (6) months.

This means that you have lost your membership and can no longer take communion with us. The only way that your membership can be restored is if you repent and confess your sin to the Lord and than publicly apologize to the members of this church and wait six (6) months for your membership to be reconsidered.

We trust that you can find a church where you can fellowship and enjoy the things of the Lord.

In Christ,

Jacqueline Seamans
Sandra Libby
Nancy Anderson
Dawn Horst
Judy Putnam
Ruth Stewart
Aron Stewart
Robert Hinton

Dear Billy,

This letter is to inform you that you are no longer a member of the Amity Baptist Church. The vote was taken on January 17, 1976 and the vote was unanimous.

The reasons for your removal as a member are as follows:

1. Malicious gossip about the church members and Pastor
2. Undue harm done to the testimony of the church
3. Failure to attend any meeting of the church for a period of six (6) months.

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Nancy Anderson

Judy Knapp

Judy Putnam

Ruth Stewart

Avon Stewart

Robert Hinton

February 1: Monthly Business Meeting.

It was voted to send letters (above) to **Marion Libby** and **Billy Libby**.

It was voted to pay to send young people to retreat if they wished to go.

February 8: Special Business Meeting.

The membership of **Wanda Lindsay** was discussed. We received a letter from First Street Baptist Church in San Francisco, California dismissing her from that church so she could join Amity Baptist Church. All present voted to receive her in membership.

New Brunswick Bible Institute asked that we put an ad in their year book. It was voted not to do so.

There will be a missionary coming to speak. It was voted to give him \$20.00.

March 14: Monthly Business Meeting.

Dave and Ada Lasell are coming to speak at our church. Voted to give them \$25.00 for expenses.

April 4: Monthly Business Meeting.

The meeting was held to discuss what to pay the **Gideons** who will be coming to our church next week. It was voted to give them \$50.00.

April 18: Monthly Business Meeting:

Discussion was had as to when to hold **Vacation Bible School**. It was decided to hold it at night and to have an adult class at the same time.

It was decided to make a cleaning list.

Suggested to raise the missionary support money for **Ross and Cathy Hodsdon** to \$25.00 per month. A yes vote carried.

June 13: Monthly Business Meeting with eight voting members present.

Voted to send \$20.00 to the "**the Disciples Four**," for coming to sing one evening.

Voted to send \$25.00 to **Charles Marshall** for building new steps for the church.

June 27: Special Business Meeting with eleven voting members and 3 junior members.

Voted to give **Nancy Anderson** \$50.00 for **Daily Vacation Bible School**.

Voted to buy Bibles for the children.

Voted on taking people into the church who were baptized on June 27. All present voted yes.

Those baptized and taken into membership were: **Rosie Collins, Julia Putnam, Sandra Lindsey, Alice Lindsey, Martin Putnam, Hollis Seamans, Heidi Hall, Kenneth Kervin**. Shawn Seamans was also baptized but did not join the church at this time.

It was approved that Pastor Bob will be going to Camp Living Waters only part time. He will be home on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

July 18: Monthly Business Meeting.

Discussed needs for fixing and repairing our church - what to do now and what can wait until later.

Pastor asked that we think about - and especially pray about - buying some land in the future to build a new church when ours expands. We believe it will. The Lord has really blessed us in the past few months.

Pastor Bob suggested we think about it and pray, pray, pray.

Fire insurance was mentioned and discussed. We are presently carrying \$5000 and talked of raising the amount. No vote was taken.

October 10: Monthly Business Meeting.

Pastor Bob asked that we think about building a Christian school. This was discussed, but no action taken.

A letter was read from the **Hospital Chaplincy** asking for donations. We voted to send \$10.00.

Turned over \$50.00 to the church treasurer. This was a donation from Mae Seeley who had given the money to begin a fund to purchase new hymn books.

November 14: Monthly Business Meeting with fifteen members present.

Pastor Bob read his resignation which is to take place one month from today. No one was looking for this so there was no discussion at this time.

November 21: Special Business Meeting with Avon Stewart as Moderator.

The meeting was held to discuss what we wanted to do in regards to our pastor's leaving. We decided to hold another meeting this evening and ask Pastor Bob to attend.

Evening Meeting:

People wanted to know what Pastor Bob wants us to do. His answer:

1. Attend all meetings
2. Visit and witness
3. Willingness on our part to serve in any way we are asked
4. and, not placing all the blame on the parishioners, Pastor Bob says he has failed in many ways also.

December 12: Monthly Business Meeting with all members present and Pastor Bob as Moderator.

Pastor Bob said he is willing to stay on a pastor if "we as the people are willing to serve the Lord." All agreed. Hodgdon and Cary churches asked Bob to lead the **New Year's Eve Service**. Bob agreed if it were to held in Amity.

Pastor Bob asked all to pray about uniting the three churches.

We were told that **Ross and Cathy Hodsdon** are going back on the field and still need more money to reach their quota. It was voted to raise their support from \$25.00 to \$40.00 a month.

Year End Report:

Members and friends of the Amity Baptist Church, It is with thanks and praises to our Lord, we come to the end of another year. He has answered so many of our prayers. Souls have been saved.

A baptism was held in June with nine people baptized. Eight of these joined the church as follows: Alice Lindsay, Rosie Collins, Sandra Lindsay, Kenneth Kervin, Julia Putnam, Martin Putnam, Hollis Seamans, and Heidi Hall. Wanda Lindsay joined by letter of transfer.

Daily Vacation Bible School was held in the evening with very good attendance. There was also an adult class that was enjoyed very much.

We are still waiting on the Lord, and praying about a piece of land He would have us buy, building a Christian school, building a new Church, etc.

A New Year's Eve service was held in our Church with Cary and Hodgdon uniting with us. It was very well attended and the fellowship was greatly enjoyed.

There are now two prayer and Bible study groups for the ladies and a once a month fellowship meeting being held in the homes.

The loan for the trailer purchased by the church was paid off this year.

Once more we thank God for His faithfulness and look forward to much being done for Him this coming year.

Dawn Knapp, Clerk

Year in Review: 1977

January: Annual Business Meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Bob.

Reports from the Clerk, Sunday School Superintendent, Sunday School Treasurer and Church Treasurer were read and accepted.

The Pastor's Report indicated an increase in attendance with an average of 34 for Sunday school, 34 for Sunday morning worship, 29 for Sunday evening service and 21 for Prayer meeting. He would like to see us reach a new goal of 50 for SS, 45 for morning worship, 40 for evening worship and 35 for prayer meeting. The report was accepted.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- It was voted to raise the Pastor's salary by \$20.00 per week.
- Voted to give Roy Bilueven \$20.00 for coming to speak. He wants to go to B_____.
- Voted to buy new hymn books.
- Voted to buy two bulletin boards.
- Voted to pay for young people to go to retreat at NBBI.
- As all officers were not present it was voted to present the slate of officer at a later date.

January 24: Special Business Meeting.

Voted on officers nominated for the coming year as follows:

- Clerk: **Dawn Knapp**
- Moderator: **Robert Hinton**
- Treasurer: **Avon Stewart**
- Asst. Treasurer: **Ruth Stewart**
- Sunday School Superintendent: **Nancy Anderson**
- Asst. SS Superintendent: ~~Judy Putnam~~ **Alice Lindsay**
- SS Sec/Treas: ~~Jackie Seamans~~ **Sandra Libby**
- Trustees: **Sandra Libby, Ruth Stewart, Pat Campbell, Avon Stewart**
- Supper Comm: **Alice Lindsay, Laura McGary, Wanda Lindsay, Pat Estabrook.**

The officers were elected with the indicated amendments.

February 13: Monthly Business Meeting

Question was raised on whether we use the country-western song books for Sunday evening services. It was voted to use regular hymn book for awhile.

Sandra Libby agreed to take the Sunday school Sec/Treas position. It was voted for this change to be made.

March: No monthly business meeting.

April 10: Monthly Business Meeting opened with prayer by the Pastor.

The furnace is broken and after discussion it was voted to get it fixed.

A letter from **March of Dimes** was tabled.

A letter was received from the mission field asking if we were going to support **Margaret and Ronald Holmes**.

It was voted to support them in the amount of \$15.00 per month.

May: Monthly Business Meeting opened by moderator Bob Hinton.

It was voted to send \$20.00 to **"the Disciples Four"** for coming to sing

It was voted that we were going to buy land.

Building a church or school was discussed and dismissed without action.

May 28: Pastor Bob announced from the pulpit that on the next business meeting in June we would decide once and for all what we were going to do - stand behind him and get the work done or he would leave.

June 12: Monthly Business Meeting opened with prayer by the moderator.

Pastor Bob asked for a vote of confidence. Would we attend all meetings? The vote was 10 yes, and 8 would if they could.

It was voted to send Dave Grey \$20.00.

Jackie Seamans letter was read asking for dismissal from membership roll. A yes vote carried.

June 12: Evening Service

Pastor Bob read his letter of resignation.

July 3: Monthly Business Meeting opened by moderator Bob Hinton.

Voted to give \$25.00 each to **Nancy Anderson, Erma Grey and Darrell Martell** for their work with **Daily Vacation Bible School**.

Voted to have the paronage phone account changed over to the church.

Special funds for a new church will be returned to each member by Pastor Hinton.

July 7: Pastor Bob held a **baptism** with the following being baptized: **Junior Campbell, Harold Lindsey, and Jena Quint.**

July 10: The newly baptized were given the **right hand of fellowship** into the Amity Baptist Church. They were welcomed

by the pastor and members of the church.

July 9: Special Meeting.

It was decided to pay each man who filled the pulpit \$25.00.

August 14: Monthly Business Meeting.

Warren Bently is to come and speak. Voted to give him \$25.00.

It was voted to pay Sunday school bills that are on the books.

A letter was read from **Margaret Knapp** asking for a letter of dismissal. It was voted to do so.

August 30: Special Meeting.

Discussed on whether to support **David and Erma Grey**. It was voted to give them \$20.00 in support.

It was also voted to give **Warren Bentley** \$15.00 in support.

It was voted to send a love gift of \$200 to **Living Waters**.

September 25: We talked to **Bill Day** and he will be coming to speak.

October 2: Monthly Business Meeting.

Discussed if we would hire **Bill Day** as pastor. Decided to hear him one more time.

October 9: Special Meeting with 16 voting members present.

Voted to hire **Bill Day**. All members voted yes.

Voted to buy a new bed and a sofa for the parsonage.

October 30: Special Meeting.

We are unable to hear **Bill** when he speaks. Voted to purchase a mic and speakers for the church. **Bill** agreed to use the equipment so we could hear his messages.

November: Monthly Business Meeting was opened with prayer by **Avon Stewart**, then turned over to **Mr Day**.

Discussed having a Christmas program. Voted to do so.

December: Monthly Business Meeting.

Read a letter from the mission field asking us to raise **Jon Mahar's** support if we could. Voted to raise it \$10.00 more a month.

Discussed if we wanted new missionaries to come in January to speak. Voted yes.

Voted to buy a heater to place in the pump house at the parsonage.

Voted to get and install new locks on church doors.

Voted to have new film shown on **Ross and Cathy Hodsdon's** work in the mission field.

Year End Report:

To Pastor and members of Amity Baptist Church,

At the end of another year, we can say as always, thanks be to God for His faithfulness. He has blessed us as a church abundantly in many ways and has enabled us to take on new missionaries to help support.

Souls have been saved, and a baptism was held with three people being baptized. On July 10, 1977, the Right Hand of Fellowship was extended by the pastor to **Junior (Eldon) Campbell, Harold Lindsay and Jena Quint**. They were all welcomed by the members of the church.

After being with us for seven years or more, we were very sorry to have to resignation of our pastor **Robert Hinton**. We miss him very much and pray he'll have a fruitful ministry for the Lord where ever he is lead.

In a few months we hired a new pastor. We pray there will be many souls led to Christ through his ministry.

Dawn Knapp, Clerk

The Year in Review: 1978

January Annual Business Meeting.

Avon Stewart was elected moderator for the 1978 church year.

Letters and reports of all officers were presented and accepted. **Pastor Bill Day** had been with us for about three months and had no report.

New Business:

One member was elected to serve with the deacon and clerk as the pulpit committee. **Judith Putnam** was nominated for this position and voted and accepted.

The slate of officers were nominated and elected as follows:

Clerk: **Dawn Knapp**

Deacon: **Avon Stewart**

Treasurer: **Avon Stewart**

Asst Treas: **Pat Campbell**

Sunday School Superintendent: **Nancy Anderson**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Judith Putnam**

SS Sec/Treas: **Sandra Libby**

Asst SS Sec/Treas: **Alice Lindsay**

Trustees: **Junior Campbell, Harold Lindsay, Avon Stewart, Pat Campbell**

Supper Comm: **Alice Lindsay, Laura McGary**

January 8: Monthly Business Meeting.

Missionaries, the **Dupleissens**, are coming to speak. Voted to give them \$25.00

Two weeks ago it was brought to our attention that **Roger and Karen Black** were in need of help. We voted at that time to send the \$100.00. A letter of thanks was read from them.

January 28: Special Meeting.

Discussed and voted to send for letter so **Bill Day** could come into the church.

March 12: Monthly Business Meeting.

The **Bentleys** have arrived in Philippines where they will serve as missionaries.

It was voted to take **Jerry Day** into the church and to send for her letter of dismissal.

April 1: Special Committee.

A committee went to the parsonage to talk to the Pastor Bill Day. He would not discuss any issues with us that are existing within the church. We told him we would expect an apology to the church, "for getting so angry that he shouted and called names."

The day is over and Bill did not apologize, so we will ask him to resign.

April: Monthly Business Meeting.

Bill Day read his resignation today.

May 7: Monthly Business Meeting.

Discussed how much to pay our supply pastor. Motioned and voted to pay \$20.00 a meeting and \$10.00 for prayer meeting.

Discussed fixing parsonage door.

We have had **Howard LaPoite** come the past few Sundays. We are all very much pleased with him.

June 20: **Howard LaPoite** asked us if we'd be interested in hiring him as pastor for the summer months.

June 27: Voted in favor of hiring **Howard Lapoite** and paying him \$70.00 a week.

September: **Mr. Lapoite** is leaving because we are unable to pay him enough money.

We will have supplies come over from New Brunswick Bible Institute until the Lord sends us a pastor.

October 29: Special Business meeting opened in prayer by the moderator.

Discussed if we wanted to sell the granite blocks from the church foundation. It was voted not to sell them.

Discussed pay for supply pastor and voted to pay them according to how far they traveled.

Decided to have prayer meeting at the parsonage to save fuel.

Voted to hire **Walter McConkey** to preach during the winter months and to come over for week-ends. He

is married and has two boys.

Kevin Grant is coming to speak. He is a candidate for missionary to the Phillippines.

November 12: Monthly Business Meeting.

Received a letter from Military Street Baptist Church regarding a letter of dismissal for **Bill Libby**. Our response told them that he had not been a member here since August 1974.

Received a letter from **Jon Mahar** asking when he could come to speak. He is home 'on furlough.'

Ronald Holmes will be with us in December.

Nancy Anderson dropped a bombshell on us today as she read her resignation as Sunday School Superintendent and teacher. She also asked that her name be removed from the rolls. **Sandra Libby** also advised that she would not be coming anymore and that she would be going to Hodgdon.

Thank God we know we can trust Him to take care of gaps such as these even though we don't know why people do these things.

Year End Report:

To the pastor and members of Amity Baptist Church.

As always at the end of another year there is much rejoicing to think on all that God has done. But there is also much regret as we think on our mistakes as a church. We do not always thank God for the trials as we should. We have been through some, these past few months, and as always God is faithful to see us through them.

Since we have been without a regular pastor, God has sent gospel preaching men as we needed them. Prayers answered and souls have been saved.

Howard Lapoite had to leave us as he went away to teach, but we have a lovely family coming to us from New Brunswick Bible Institute to see us through the winter months. He will be serving on a week-end basis.

We enjoyed having some of our missionaries come to visit us as they have been home on furlough. We enjoy having them share their work with us. May we be as faithful in supporting them with money and prayer as they are in serving the Lord.

We thank God for sending Walter McConkey and Nancy to minister here. As he serves as our pastor, we pray for the honor and glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Dawn Knapp, Clerk

The Year in Review: 1979

January 9: Annual Business Meeting opened with Avon Stewart nominated and accepted as Moderator.

Slate of Officers were nominated and approved as follows:

Clerk: **Dawn Knapp**

Deacon: **Avon Stewart** (3 yr term)

Treasurer: **Avon Stewart**

Asst Treasurer: **Dawn Knapp**

SS Superintendent: **Judy Putnam**

Asst SS Superintendent: **Laura McGary**

SS Sec/Treas: **Pat Campbell**

Asst SS Sec/Treas: **Laura McGary**

Trustees: **Junior Campbell, Harold Lindsay, Avon Stewart, Pat Campbell**

Supper Comm: **Alice Lindsay, Laura McGary, Jinny**

Pulpit Comm: **Clerk, Deacon, Judy Putnam**

Officers reports were read and approved.

No old business:

New business:

Projects to consider this year: fix windows in church and paint, new roof on parsonage and possible

room on the back.

January 7: Laura McGary submitted her request for membership in Amity Baptist Church. This was followed by a yes vote.

February 11: Monthly Business Meeting

Lynette Libby and Laureen Williams have been accepted by Christian Teen Missions and want to come to speak at different churches to raise money. We'll have them come here.

Letter from the Bentley's saying they are all done on the mission field. He feels that it is not fair to his family, and feels the family should come first.

Voted to raise support to the Clark's by \$10.00 per month.

Jon Mahar needs more money to go back to the mission field.

March 11: Monthly Business Meeting

Voted yes to take the following action on missionary support:

- to John Mahar: raise by \$10.00 to \$30.00 per month

- to the Clark's: raise by \$10.00 to \$20.00 per month

- to Kevin Grant: give \$15.00 per month

- \$100 to Lynette Libby and Laureen Williams

- \$5.00 per month to Daily Bread

- \$100.00 to Clark's for expenses as they came home for Bev Clark's funeral.

Walter McConkey said his last Sunday would be April 22 unless we could pay him \$125.00 per week. We had asked him to stay, but it seemed he places family before the Lord's work. He was told that we could not pay the requested amount.

April 8: Monthly Business Meeting

Letter was read from Gospel Missionary Union about the \$100 we sent to the memorial fund for Bev Clark.

Letter was read from the Ripley's. They will not be returning to the mission field.

On April 18 the Holmes' will be here to speak. They are home on leave.

May 13: Monthly Business Meeting

There were ten voting members in attendance. Avon opened the meeting with prayer and served as moderator.

Kevin Grant will not be going to the mission field. Voted to give the \$15 we pledged to him to the support the Ripleys.

A Gideon speaker wants to come to speak. We voted no as they had just been here last year.

June: Monthly Business Meeting

Talked about Daily Vacation Bible School. This was tabled until later.

Discussed when to shingle the church roof. No decisions were made.

July: Monthly Business Meeting

There was no business to discuss.

Baptisms will be in August.

August: Monthly Business Meeting

Someone attending New Brunswick Bible Institute would like to rent the trailer (parsonage).

Voted to send for Bob, Sandra and Bretts letters as they have requested to join our church.

August 18: Ronnie and Jenney Foley were baptized. It was also voted to take them in as members. They were given the right hand of fellowship in the evening service.

Voted to hire Robert Putnam for as long as he can stay. He has been with us for the summer. We all wanted them to stay as they have grown very dear to us.

September 7: Monthly Business Meeting

Discussed rental for the trailer and voted to charge \$25.00 weekly

October: Rented trailer to Ross Pelton

November: Monthly Business Meeting

In October Avon's home was broken into and church money was stolen. We voted to mark it off the books as a loss.

December:

Lindy Putnam came to speak and show slides of his trip to Bolvier. This is a very 'hardship mission field.' We voted to send a love gift of \$50.00 to the Wry's who are missionaries there, and another \$50.00 to the student fund.

Eric Roseselle has come as a missionary candidate. We voted to give him \$50.00.

Sandra brought up about helping the **New England Fellowship Classes**. No action was taken.

Year End Report:

Members and friends of the Amity Baptist Church,

It is with thanks and praise to our Lord for his great faithfulness that we come to the close of the year 1979.

We have seen souls saved and added to the church. Many prayers have been answered.

Whatever has been done for Him, we pray will be multiplied many times in the coming years to the Glory of God.

We thank God for sending **Robert, Sandra and Brett Putnam** to minister to the church here. We enjoy their fellowship so much. We trust it will be a fruitful ministry.

Our needs as a church have been supplied, we've been enabled to send support money to our new missionaries as well as raise the amount we send to regular ones.

Some of our missionaries that have been home on furlough have come to share their work with us. We were especially challenged by the report and slides shown by **Lindy Putnam** on his trip to Bolvier. We were all made to see just how much we have to share with others.

In August a baptism was held, at which time **Ron and Jenny Foley** followed the Lord in baptism. After this they were welcomed by members and friends of the church.

No as we pray and watch for the coming of our Lord, may there be many souls saved through the ministry here in Amity.

Dawn Knapp, Clerk