

# CELEBRATING

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190 YEARS OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST AND UNITED CHURCH IN BROCK  
TOWNSHIP



# WE BUILT

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From simple beginnings in the homes and barns of the early settlers



The Building  
where we first  
worshipped in  
1828



\* 1828 "The Barn"



# WE GREW

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The original chapel and parsonage was located in what is now Cedarvale cemetery, across from Brock High School.

The land was donated in 1844 by Mr. Robert Sproule.

The first officers were Irvine Johnson, Hector McDonald, William Parliament, Caleb Lloyd and William Brandon





## IN 1856 A NEW BRICK CHURCH BUILDING WAS BUILT

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It was located across from the old  
school in the village of Cannington

x + This was the brick building  
Brick from this building was used in the Bakery on Garden St. - now an  
apartment building north of the Medical Centre



SOON THIS BUILDING WAS TOO SMALL FOR THE GROWING CONGREGATION.

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THE BUILDING WAS SOLD TO A CARRIAGE WORKS. WHEN THE BUILDING WAS TORN DOWN, THE BRICKS WERE USED TO BUILD THE “MODEL BAKERY” IN CANNINGTON, BETWEEN THE FUNERAL HOME AND THE OLD MEDICAL CENTRE.





# 1895: THE PRESENT CHURCH BUILDING WAS COMPLETE. PAUSE A MINUTE AND READ THIS ARTICLE

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—Our Methodist friends are to be commended for the enterprise, liberality and good taste displayed in the erection of their new place of worship. The brick work on the church is rapidly nearing completion ; the principal rafters will be raised this week; and by the end of next week the roof will be on. Contractor May is rushing the work. When this church is completed it will be a credit to the Methodists and an ornament to the town. It is to be hoped our town fathers will hurry up and build a sidewalk along the west side of Laidlaw-st., from Cameron-st. to the church.

*Taken from the Ontario  
Gleaner, Sept. 5, 1895*



# THE OLD INTERIOR OF OUR CHURCH SANCTUARY

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Pipe organs were added in 1905

Shipman, Brandon and War Memorial windows added  
1922-1937

Organ chimes were donated by Women's Association in  
1946

Other improvements included oil heaters, washrooms  
and kitchen facilities



# WE SERVE

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Members of our congregation serve community,  
society and country

# F.O. HARRY B. PARLIAMENT

On Sunday, Oct. 21, 1956, a new PA system was dedicated at a special service at our Church. The PA system was dedicated to the loving memory of Flying Officer Harry B. Parliament by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Parliament. Harry was killed in action on Aug. 4, 1943.

Harry was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him. He was a man of the highest ideals. He was “always a leader in general activities and took interest in his Church and community”.





Early ministers in Brock  
Township and Cannington  
Church  
1828 - 1855

THE MINISTERS

WHO FOR ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS HAVE SERVED IN BROCK  
TOWNSHIP AND IN THE CANNINGTON CHURCH

WESLEYAN METHODISTS

1828-28—Revs. R. Corson, Conrad Vandusen.

1830- —Rev. Hamilton Biggar.

1831-32—Revs. Jas. Norris, Wm. Patrick, J. Musgrove.

(All the above came from Whitby.)

1833-34—Rev. D. Hardie.

1835- —Rev. John Lever.

1836-38—Rev. Cornelius Flummerfelt.

1839-40—Rev. Horace Dean.

1841-42—Rev. John Sanderson.

1843- —A local preacher—Heman Davies.

1844-45—Revs. Gilbert Miller, Abra. Dayman.

1846- —Revs. Wm. Young, Alex Campbell.

1847-48—Rev. C. W. M. Gilbert.

1849- —Rev. Wm. Steer.

1850-52—Rev. Cornelius Flummerfelt.

1853- —Rev. Daniel Wright.

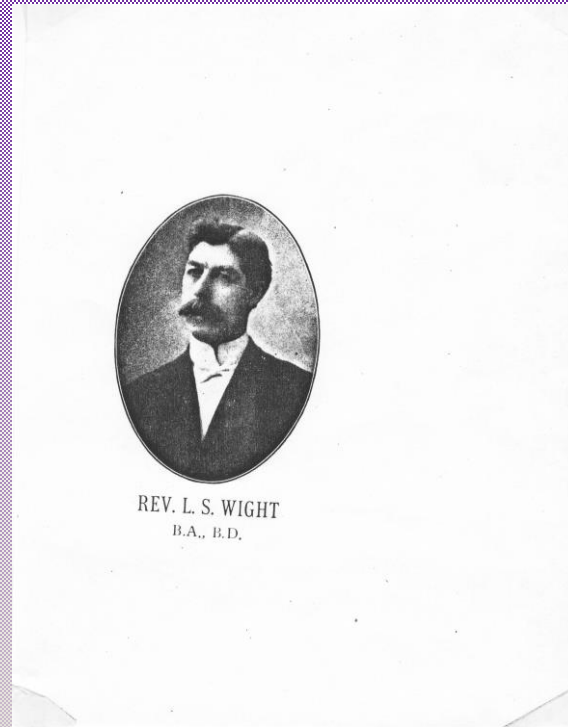
1854-55—Rev. G. T. Richardson.

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*about 1850 - Communion Service in log barn  
of Robt Spread, Preacher for the day - Rev Egerton Ryerson*

# MEN AND WOMEN OF GOD WHO SHARED THEIR GIFTS WITH US AND LED US IN NEWER TIMES

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*The Coleman's*





*Th. Kennedy's*



*The Corscadden's*

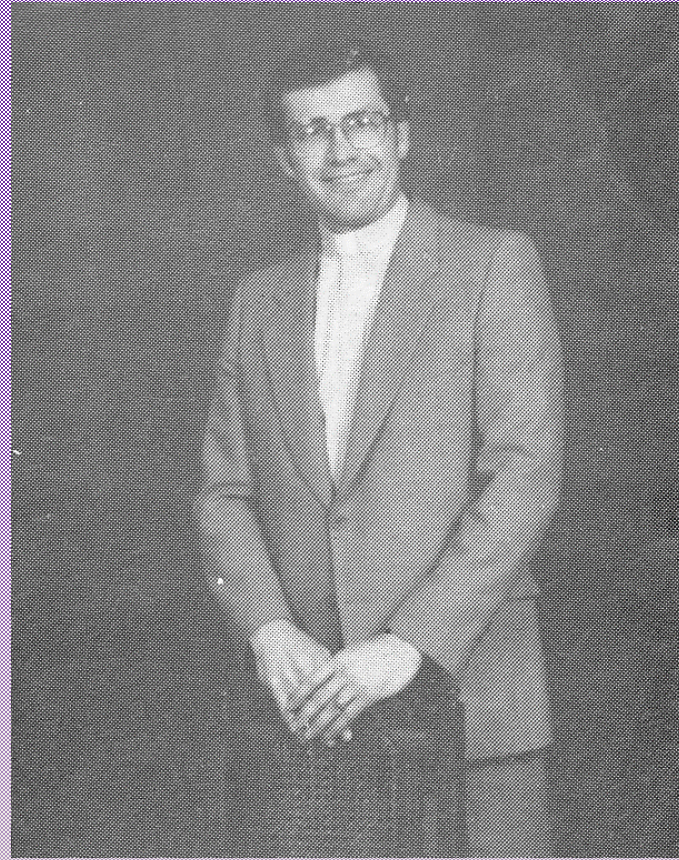
*The Boehm's*





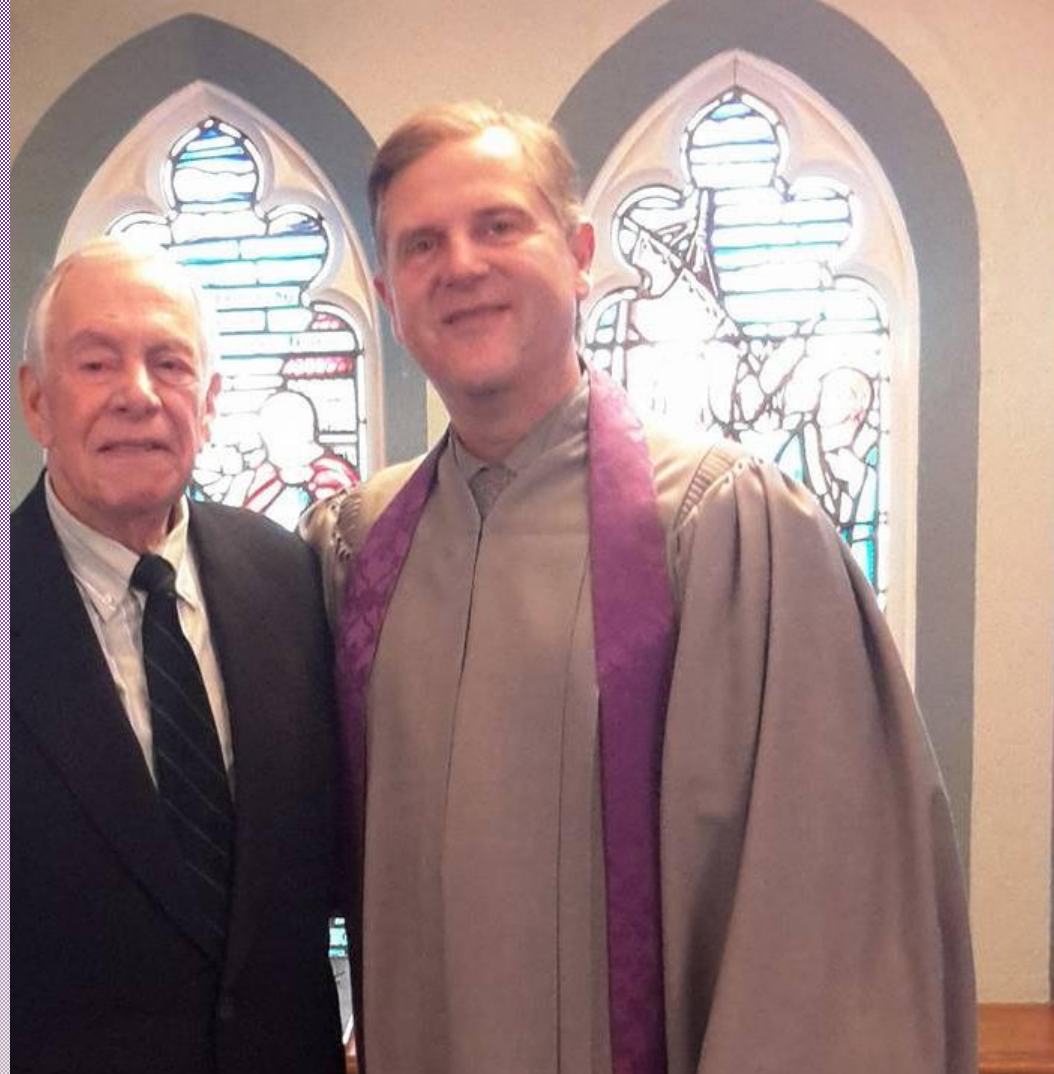


**Rev. Bruce Harrison of Cannington was named Minister Emeritus recently. With him is his wife Florence.**



Rev. David Bish



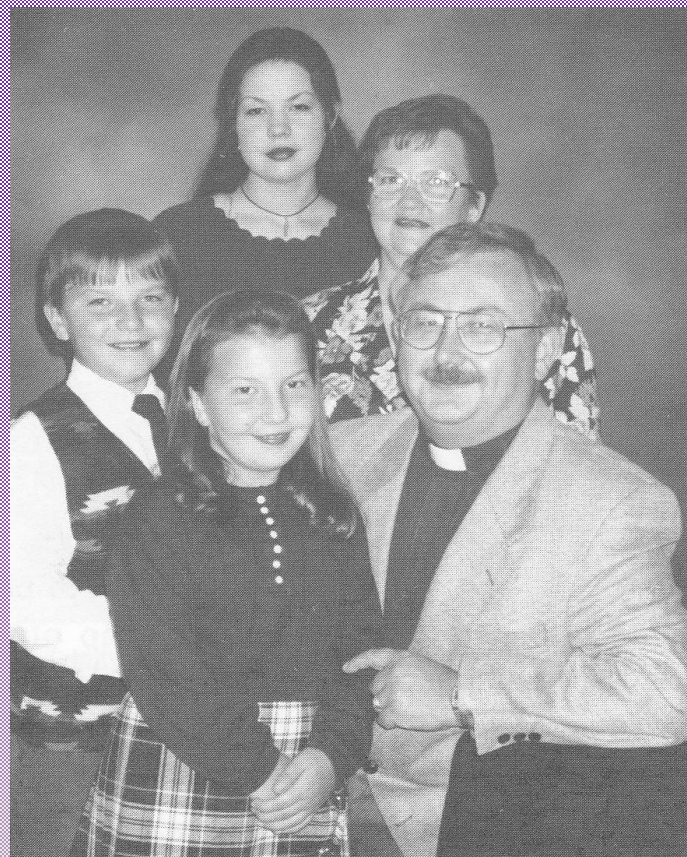


Rev. Michael Locke



Rev. Walter Murray  
with Scott Samis  
at Scott and Tia's wedding





Rev. Bob Weight, Mrs. Lois  
Weight, Sarah, Johnathon  
and Valerie





Rev. Janet Petrie





Ms. Evelyn Chambers



The Pancer Family



Mary Ruth Begbie







**Rev Jeannette Millar**  
**(Pastoral Charge Supervisor)**



Daniel  
MacDonald





# SO MANY HAVE SERVED

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Mrs. Melva McPhadden Organist



Carol Beatty Pianist

# SO MANY HAVE SERVED

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Mrs. Mary Thompson Secretary

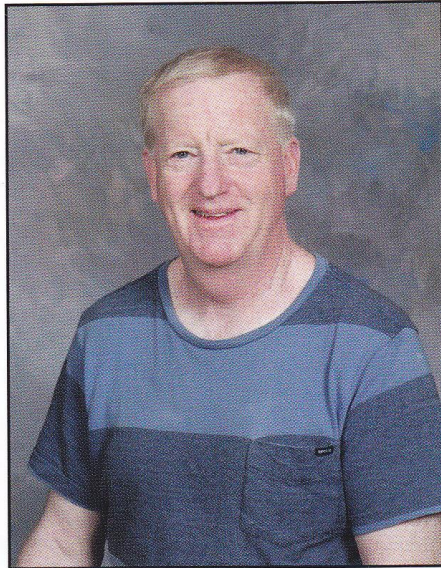


Keitha White Custodian



# SO MANY HAVE SERVED

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**David Litt**  
**(Organist & Choir Director)**



**Arlene Smith**  
**(Assistant Organist)**

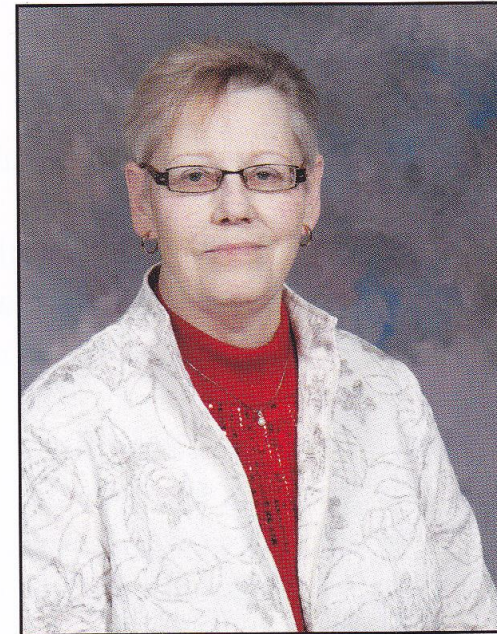


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**Darrell & Lucy Reimer**  
(Custodians)

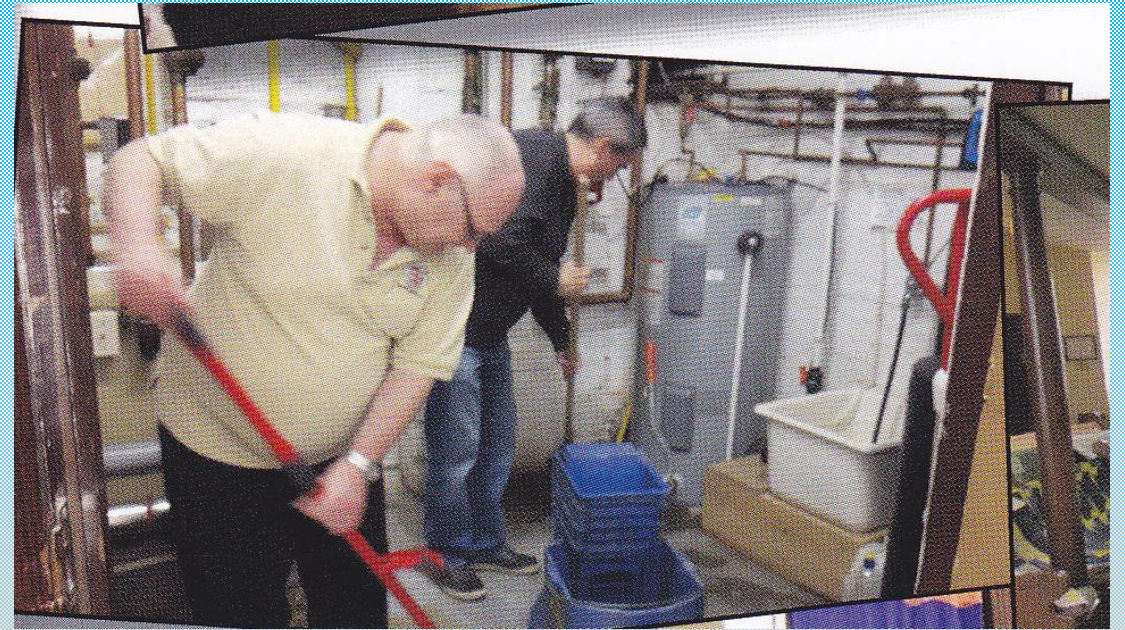


**Phyllis Brown (Spike)**  
(Secretary)



# SO MANY HAVE SERVED

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## THE EPWORTH LEAGUE

A group for young adults ages 18 – 35, the Epworth League was an association:

*To encourage and cultivate Christ-centered character in young adults around the world through community building, missions, and spiritual growth.*

Minutes Dec 13<sup>th</sup> 1920.

We opened our meeting with hymn 225. Followed by Prayer by Mr Wright & the Lord's Prayer in concert.

The minutes were read & approved.

It was moved by Mr Wright & seconded by Leola Gapps that League be withdrawn Dec 21<sup>st</sup> & carried.

The Bible Lesson was read by Hughena Willis.

Hymn 86 was sung.

The topic for the evening was on the Call Of India of to-day given by Vera Ladwick.

We were then favoured with a beautiful instrumental by Lila Wakelin.

Leola Gapps also gave us a paper on the mass movement of India.

The collection was taken up by Garnet Woodard and Our closing hymn was number 90.

We dismissed by repeating our Watchword

Wesley Hodgson  
Secretary

Att - 36.

Off - \$1.50  
mission



## SUNDAY SCHOOL

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Ca. 1955



*Sund. School Class about 1955?*

# SUNDAY SCHOOL

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL

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# ACTIVE WOMEN

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TEACHING, ORGANIZING, PREPARING, SERVING



# WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

## The W.A.

It was in 1895 that a meeting of the ladies of the congregation of the Cannington Methodist church was called to organize for work in connection with the furnishing of the new church. The society known as the Ladies Aid was formed with the following officers:

Pres: Mrs. Wm. Hodgson

1st Vice: Mrs. C. Brandon

2nd Vice: Mrs. D. McKay

Sec: Miss J. Valentyne

Treas: Mrs. Philpott

The first enterprise of the organization was the making of an autograph quilt. The proceeds of which amounted to \$312.00.

During the first year monthly teas were held to which the admission fee was 10 cents. The membership fee was also 10c.

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A History



The W.A.

1895 - 1957



Cannington  
United Church

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## Women's Association Presidents

The Presidents since the first  
organization in 1895 to 1957:

Mrs. Wm. Hodgson

Mrs. T. Philp

Mrs. G. Brown

Mrs. W. J. Henderson

Mrs. G. H. Shipman

Mrs. H. Woodward

Mrs. Joseph Beatty

Mrs. G. H. Shipman

(second term of office)

Mrs. H. Drew

Mrs. G. B. Henderson

Mrs. M. Carter

Mrs. James Ward

Mrs. W. Francis

Mrs. Scott Brandon

Mrs. William Teel



*Past Presidents of the W. A. - Methodist Church*

*Left to Right*

*Mrs. Thomas Purvis, Mrs. Luther Bradley, Mrs. (Dr.) Henderson  
Mrs. Curtis Shipman.*



WORLD FRIENDSHIP

AFFILIATED  
C.G.I.T. GROUP

THE  
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

This Certifies that

the \_\_\_\_\_ Group of *Cannington United Church*

in the *Lindsay* \_\_\_\_\_ Presbyterial is enrolled as an Affiliated Canadian Girls In  
Training Group whose purpose is to promote the spirit of Christian Friendship  
amongst all the peoples of the world through Understanding,  
Appreciation and Service.

*Florence Laughland*  
President

*Minnified Thomas*  
General Secretary


*Lorenz Ashton*  
C.G.I.T. Secretary

*March 12th 1951*

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA





 The National Canadian Girls  
In Training Committee of the  
Canadian Council of Churches  
grants this chevron certificate

to BLUEBIRD C.G.I.T. group of Cannington United Church  
for attaining the required standards.

June 25, 1953.

date



Maryann Goran  
secretary



The  
United Church Women

Inaugural  
Service

for

THE PRESBYTERIAL  
AND THE CONFERENCE  
UNITED CHURCH WOMEN

1962



10th Anniversary Meals on Wheels

Brock Good Neighbours

Acknowledges with Gratitude

the valuable contribution

made to our program by

U. C. W. Trinity United Church



# NEW JERUSALEM



*"New Jerusalem" Cantata Group*





*Some of New Jerusalem Group*





"New Season" Choir



# SNIPPETS OF OUR CHURCH LIFE

Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> 1970.

## 50 years as organist, honoured

Nov. 29, 1970.

Mrs. Neil McPhadden was the guest of honour at the Sunday morning service of Trinity United Church, marking her 50th year as organist of the church. A special church service with a reception following in the lower hall, were held in Mrs. McPhadden's honour and attended by over two hundred members and former members of Trinity's congregation.

Mrs. McPhadden, who presided at the organ on this special occasion, selected three of her favorite hymns, "Unto the Hills", "Saviour Like a Shepherd Leads Us", and "O Master Let me Walk With Thee" to be sung by the congregation. The Senior and Junior Choirs, under the direction of Mrs. McPhadden and Mrs. Ross Found rendered two anthems, as well as a duet by Mrs. Angus Jewell and Mr. James Patton. Assisting her grandmother with the music, was Miss Carol Beatty, on the piano.

Rev. C. W. Coleman in his special anniversary message "In His Service" cited this fifty year accomplishment of Mrs. McPhadden's as an unique record, and one not duplicated by many.

At the reception held following the service, Mrs. McPhadden, along with members of her family, greeted friends and relatives from Toronto, Port Perry, Orillia, Lindsay, Peterborough, and Cannington. Mrs. Wesley Hodgson pinned a corsage on the honoured guest of the day, and Mr. Scott Brandon read the ad-



*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

dress. On behalf of the congregation, Mr. James Patton presented Mrs. McPhadden with a purse and a gift of money, to which she made a very fitting reply.

A dainty lunch of sandwiches, pickles, fruit bread, and tarts and cookies, along with an anniversary cake, was enjoyed by the gathering.

Baskets of bronze and gold 'mums and gold candles graced the table for the reception. A guest book was provided for the many guests to sign.

Melva actually  
worked till Dec/71  
illness during last  
year

Jim Patton tells  
me that when  
Melva started playing  
the organ, her feet  
would not touch  
the pedals unless  
she sat on the  
edge of her bench.

Linda.

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**CANNINGTON 5 to \$1.00 STORE**

THIS DEPOSIT GOOD FOR 30 DAYS ONLY

PER *EB* Date *Nov 12* 19*66*

M. *Cannington C. G. D. J.*

	ACCT.	FWD.
1 toy		49
2 toy		88
3 crayons		10
4 teddy bear	1	69
5 teething toy		49
6 toy		75
7	4	41
8 tax		22
9 3 books @ 19		57
10	5	20
11 Chg Mrs Mary E Brown		
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15 27		

X STEDMAN DIVISION OF MACLEOD STEDMAN LTD.

1971

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Jan. 1971.

Organist - Mrs. Neil Mrs Phadden

Choir members - Mrs. Ross Fould (Thelma)  
 Mrs. Angus Jewell (Hazel)  
 Mrs. Morley Carter (Viola)  
 Mrs. Garnet Woodward (Helena)  
 Mrs. Roy Lamblyn (Winifred)  
 Mrs. Wilfred Edwards (Winifred)  
 Mrs. Clarence Wright (Cora)  
 Miss. Correen Collins  
 Miss. Anne Thompson  
 Mrs. Elmer Samis (Jennifer)  
 Mrs. Wil. Lapp (Alice)  
 Mrs. Ross Fould  
 Mr. Charles Campbell  
 Mr. James Patton  
 Mrs. Torrey (Mary)  
 Mrs. Wm. English (Leola)  
 Miss Judy Clark  
 Mrs. Wm. Teel (Cora)



What a  
looker!



*The Belle of the Ball (Elmer Samus)*

*Diane Farewell & Harry Amos*





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# Annual Report

CANNINGTON  
UNITED CHURCH

For 1949

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The United Church of Canada  
Twenty-Fifth Anniversary  
Order of Service



Maple Leaf Gardens, Toronto  
SUNDAY JUNE 11th, 1950  
at 7.00 p.m.

THE  
**Annual Report**  
OF  
**Cannington United Church**

JANUARY 1st, 1942 to DECEMBER 31st, 1942

**THE OFFICIAL BOARD FOR 1943**

Minister of the Charge—Rev. M. I. Robinson. B.A.

The Session—Elders—Edwards Apps, Ernest Apps, Richard Brown, E. C. Drinkwater, G. B. Henderson, G. B. Johnston, Wm. Parliament, A. Parliament, A. Patton, J. W. Sackville, R. Shier, Charles White.

The Board of Management—Stewards—Lorne P. Beatty, T. P. B. Blackwell, S. F. Brandon, Nicholas Brown, Dr. W. R. Cameron, R. M. Carter, R. C. Gray, G. B. Henderson, G. B. Johnston, Wesley Hodgson, A. O. Mix, G. H. Shipman and H. Woodward.

And Members of Official Board ex-officio—Edward Apps, Sunday School Superintendent; Mrs. Morley Carter, President Women's Association; Mrs. G. H. Shipman, President Women's Missionary Society; Miss Verna Beatty, President Y.P.S.

Recording Secretary—Ernest Apps.

Church Treasurer—G. B. Henderson.

Treasurer M. & M. Fund—R. C. Gray.

Trustees—T. P. B. Blackwell, Richard Brown, G. Henderson, G. B. Johnston, A. O. Mix, Wm. Parliament, G. H. Shipman.

Church Property Committee—T. P. B. Blackwell (chairman), R. Brown, N. Brown, G. B. Henderson, J. W. Sackville.

Missionary and Maintenance Committee—R. C. Gray, G. B. Johnston, Lorne P. Beatty.

Choir Leader—Mrs. Fred Brandon.

Organist—Mrs. Neil McPhadden.

Please keep on file for continued reference.



# SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS REGISTER

SUPPLIES THE STATISTICS REQUIRED BY  
THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OF THE  
UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

CLASS No. ....

TEACHER *E. D. Dumbarton*

SUNDAY SCHOOL .....

FOR THE YEAR 19 *42*

THE UNITED CHURCH PUBLISHING HOUSE  
QUEEN AND JOHN STREETS  
TORONTO 2

25M 9-40

PRICE, \$1.00 PER DOZEN

1942

CLASS NO. ....

CLASS

REGISTER

MEMORANDA

*Jan 4/42*

SCHOLAR'S NAME

AGE

RESIDENCE

DATE OF ADMISSION

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CANT

- 1 *E. Apps 4*
- 2 *S. Apps 4*
- 3 *E. Cavan*
- 4 *R. Cotton*
- 5 *M. Squires*
- 6 *A. Seel. 4*
- 7 *A. Mittal*
- 8 *Carl Beatty 4*
- 9 *M. Ormerod*
- 10 *J. Argue*
- 11 *A. Parliament*
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TOTALS

# In Memoriam

These Rest From Their Labors  
And Their Works do Follow Them.

JOHN SAMIS

JAMES McKAGUE

ALBERT COOMBE

GEORGE E. GRIFFIN

MRS. SAMUEL ENDICOTT

MRS. DAVID SNODDEN

Died During 1942



1905

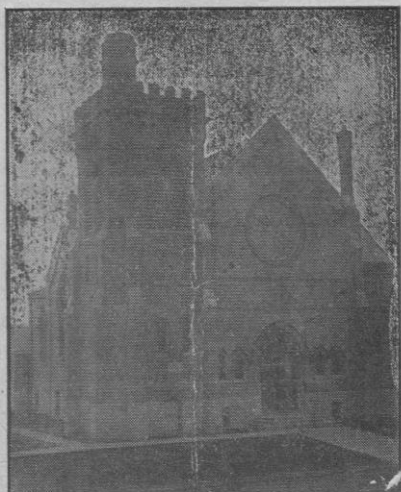
❖ Cannington Circuit ❖

❖ FINANCIAL REPORT ❖

of the

❖ METHODIST CHURCH ❖

From May 15 1904 to May 15, 1905



SUNDAY SERVICE

Morning Service.....10:30 a. m

Evening service.. .....7:00 p. m

Sabbath School.....2:30 p. m

❖ Strangers Welcome ❖



Due *March 11/10*

*Cannington Nov 26<sup>th</sup> 1909*

*Three* months after date I promise to pay  
to the order of *The Home Bank of Canada*  
at *The Home Bank of Canada*, here \$ *11<sup>xx</sup>*  
*Twelve* *xx* Dollars

*value received* *L 13 46*

*W. J. Henderson*

*Pres. Stewart Mch. Ch.*



Due *Aug 21/09*

*Cannington May 18<sup>th</sup> 1909*

*Three* months after date I promise to pay  
to the order of *The Home Bank of Canada*  
at *The Home Bank of Canada*, here \$ *75<sup>57</sup>*  
*Twenty five* *57* Dollars

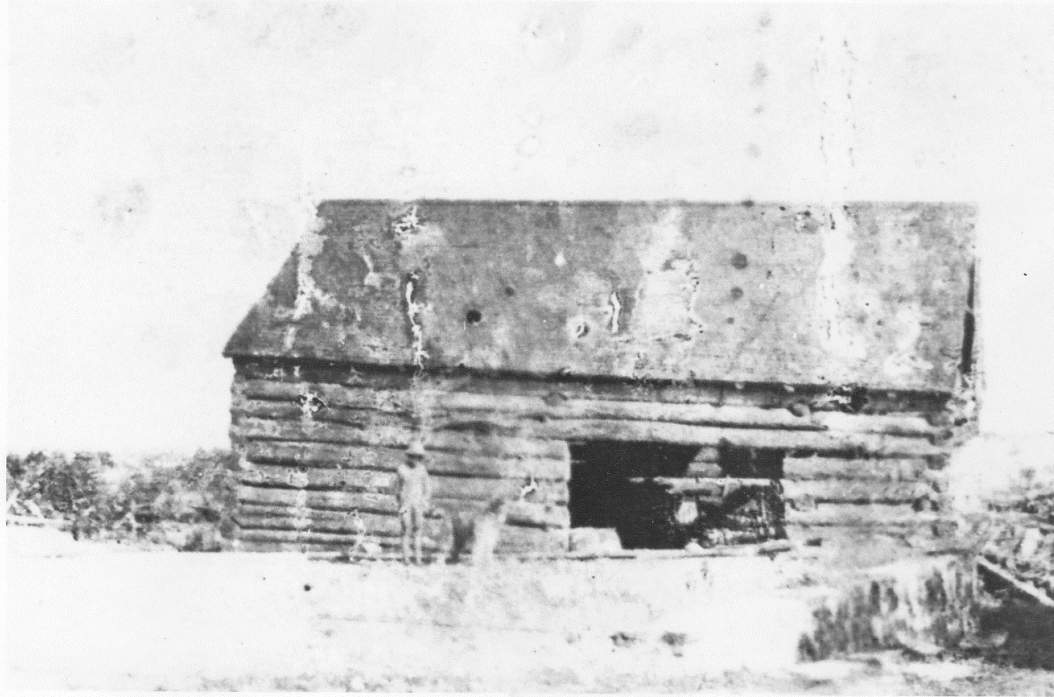
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*W. J. Henderson*

*Pres. Stewart*





For our beginnings  
And our future

Thanks be to  
God!