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MARY JAYNE GASTON *Executive Secretary*

Mrs. Mary Jayne Gaston was reared in Friendship Baptist Church Sunday School, and B.T.U. She always finds it a pleasure to serve her Church in whatever way she can. She is teacher of the Senior Girls Sunday School Class, and a Member of the J.C.S. Chorus As secretary she is doing a fine job.

OFFICIAL ROSTER

RICHARD H. DIXON, SR., *Minister*
 RICHARD H. DIXON, JR., *Co-Minister*
 MME. E. LETT DIXON, *Minister of Music*
 MRS. DORA TRUEHART, *Social Worker*
 MRS. MARY JAYNE GASTON, *Executive Secretary*

Associate Ministers

REV. J. H. PRATCHER REV. ADOLPHUS ALLEN
 REV. JOHN MONROE REV. ROBERT LEWIS
 REV. JOE BROWN

Mr. Trustee Young, Chr. Deacon Board	Mr. Joseph Hicks, Scoutmaster, Troop 211
Mr. Franklin D. Hawkins, Chr. Trust. Bd.	Mrs. Lessie Mae Craig, Directress Twentieth Century Club
Mr. Otis Johnson, Treasurer	Mrs. Lurine Hart, Pres. Twentieth Century Club
Mr. Leroy Jones, Supt. Sunday School	Mr. Willie Brand, Pres. Brotherhood Soc.
Miss Freddie Grimes Pres. B. T. U.	Mrs. Dessie Davidson, Pres. Friendship Challengers Club
Mrs. Mary Petties, Pres. Senior Choir # 1	Mr. Moses Ware, Pres. Benevolent Aid Society
Mr. Philip Roundtree, Pres. Sr. Choir # 2	Mrs. Eleanor Gist, Pres. The Courtesy Committee
Mrs. Ruth Brantney, Pres. J.C.S. Chorus	Mrs. Alice Vickers, Chr. Program Com.
Mrs. Jessie Redmond, Pres. Pastor's Aid	Rev. A. Allen, Pastor of Junior Church
Mrs. Mary Rice, Pres. Sr. Mother Board	Mme. E. Lett Dixon, Directress Junior Church
Mrs. Anna Harris, Pres. Gen. Miss. Soc.	Miss Elizabeth Phillips, Pres. Junior Choir
Mrs. Floyd Williams, Pres. E. Lett Dixon Circle	Mrs. Susie Pittman, Chr. Floral Com.
Mrs. Anne Young, Pres. Deaconess Board	Miss Rachel Chester, Pianist, Senior Choir # 1 and J. C. S.
Mrs. Sarah Miller, Pres. Jr. Mother Bd.	Mrs. Alga McComb, Pianist, Sr. Choir # 2
Mr. Leroy Jones, Pres. Publishing Board	Mrs. Christine Henry, Pianist, Pastor's Aid Chorus
Mrs. Beatrice Baugh, Pres. Senior Usher Board # 1	Mr. Fred Boyd, Janitor
Mrs. Blanche Owens, Pres. Senior Usher Board # 2	
Mr. Charlie Carson, Pres. Ushers Alliance	
Mr. James Pegues, Pres. Musical Alliance	
Mrs. Katie Brazeal, Pres. Nurses Guild	
Mrs. Lula Elder, Pres. Tithing Club	
Miss Freddie Grimes, Pres. Junior Miss. Circle	



Mrs. Virlee Hopkins, Secretary



Mrs. Sarah Jones, Clerk

SOME OF THE PAST AND PRESENT OFFICERS OF FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

SERVING under Rev. K. B. Roberson and Rev. T. Davis as Church Clerk:

Mr. Freddie Stroud
Mr. Willie Frazier
Mr. Dan Ellinton
Mrs. Maude Bell

Mr. W. M. Farmer
Mr. E. O. Johnson
Mr. Nora White
Mrs. M. P. Jones

Mrs. Hattie Glenn

Private Secretaries: Miss Alberta Twitty, Miss Ethel Davis and Mrs. Mary J. Gaston.

The late Mrs. Anna Harris served under Rev. M. J. Jenkins and Rev. C. L. Franklin.

Mrs. Mary J. Gaston served as stenographer under Rev. M. J. Jenkins, Rev. C. L. Franklin, Rev. R. Dixon and the present pastor, Rev. E. D. McNeely. Mrs. Maggie W. Atkins served as church clerk.

Mrs. L. M. Craig served as financial secretary for thirteen years.

Deacon Willie Gibson was Chairman of The Deacon Board during the pastorate of Rev. Roberson and Rev. T. Davis. Deacon Garman also acted in that capacity under Rev. T. Davis.

Deacon T. Young and Deacon T. H. Jefferies served under the pastorate of Rev. M. J. Jenkins, Rev. C. Franklin, Rev. R. H. Dixon and the present pastor Rev. E. D. McNeely.

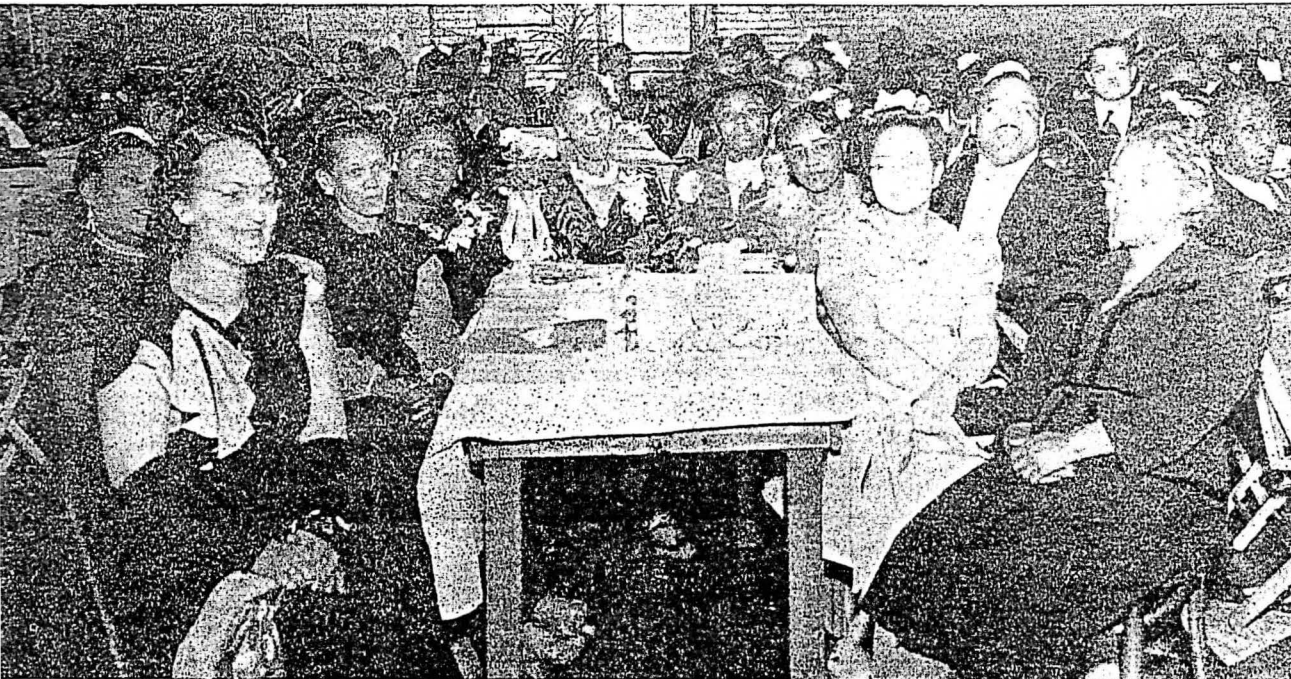
Mr. Phillip Roundtree was appointed a deacon during the pastorate of Rev. Jenkins.

Deacons Dan Pittman, Otis Johnson and W. P. Allen served under Rev. Franklin, Rev. Dixon and Rev. E. D. McNeely.

The officers for the year 1952 were:

Deacon T. H. Jefferies Chairman of Deacon Board
Deacon F. D. Hawkins Chairman of Trustee Board

E. LETT DIXON MISSIONARY CIRCLE



This Circle was organized and named for Mrs. E. Lett Dixon. Its membership consists of Missionary Workers of the Cold Spring Section. They are doing a very tangible piece of work. Mrs. Floyd Williams is their President.

BOARD OF DEACONESS

The Deaconess Board was organized under the leadership of Rev E.D. McNeely. Mrs. Chappell, Mrs. Mary McKinney and Mrs. Essie Billups are previous Presidents of this

organization. They assist with first Sunday Communion, visit and take gifts to the sick, organize annual clothes giveaways and shopping trips to New York City, hold prayer breakfast, assist at funerals, active in the Deaconess Department of the Western Baptist District Association, organizer of annual Deaconess, Deacons and Trustee's Concert, introduced the first Salad Bar, and is always willing to serve when and

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where needed. The present officers: Lila Miller-President, Barbara Billups-Vice President, Angela Cannon-Secretary, Mary Hill-Financial Secretary and Rhonda Thompson-Treasurer.



HISTORY OF THE MOTHER BOARD



MOTHER MARY RICE was President of the Mother Board and Pray Board under the leadership of Rev. Robinson since 1929. Served under the leadership of Rev. Davis, Rev. Jenkins, and Rev. C. I. Franklin. She was sick under the leadership of Rev. Dixon and Rev. E. D. McNeely. She departed this life on May 16th, 1952.

Mother Katie Brazeal was elected President under the leadership of Rev. E. D. McNeely.

Mother Easter Griffin is the present President. The Junior Mother Board was organized by Rev. R. F. Dixon. Mother Sara Miller President.

Rev. E. D. McNeely merged the two boards in 1950.



THE JUNIOR MISSIONARIES were organized in the year of 1945 under the leadership of Rev. C. L. Franklin. The group was founded by the late Mrs. Anna Harris who passed away seven months and nineteen days ago. During the group time it has had two Presidents, four Secretaries, one Supervisor, and one Teacher.

Presidents: Miss Freddie Mae Grimes, Miss Iraleen Austin.

Secretaries: Miss Essie Milton, Miss Verlee Hopkins, Miss Elizabeth Graves, and Miss Matilda Garrett.

Supervisor: Mrs. L. M. Craig.

Teacher: Reverend A. Allen

The group started with a membership of six and the present membership is twenty members. The group has served faithfully for the past seven and one-half years.

We have tried to live up to our Christian standards in Missionary Work, and have always supported our pastor's programs.



THE USHER BOARD No. 2 was organized in 1941 under the late Rev. M. J. Jenkins.

- Mrs. Blanche Reddick..... President
- Mr. Henry Wilson..... Vice President
- Mrs. Ethel Armstrong..... Secretary (Recording)
- Mrs. Maude Lyles..... Treasurer
- Mrs. Alberta Copeland..... Secretary
- Mr. Fred Boyd..... Chief

In the year of 1942 the No. 2 Usher Board had thirty-five members, they also raised in that same year \$6.20. Mrs. Blanche Reddick served faithfully as president from 1941 until 1947. Then her health began to fail, and she could not serve as she desired.

In 1948, Mr. Curley Pollard was elected President of the No. 2 Usher Board. At that time membership was twenty-one ushers. Since that time it has increased to twenty-one.

From 1941 to 1949 the Usher Board No. 2 turned over to the Church a sum of \$5124.21.

Mr. Curley Pollard, President
 Rev. E. D. McNeely, Pastor



THE EXCELL CLUB was organized March 27th, 1951. Mrs. Minnie Barnes was elected President this small group of eleven members.

The purpose of the little group is to follow leadership and to help support their Church.

"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122-Verse 1

Mrs. M. Barnes, President
Mrs. P. Jackson, Secretary
Rev. E. D. McNeely, Pastor



THE JUNIOR CHURCH AND CHOIR was organized October 2, 1950 under the supervision of Rev. E. D. McNeely, Pastor. 30 children were present. Mrs. M. McNeely and the late Mrs. A. Harris were elected supervisors. Mrs. Callie Edwards was elected treasurer and directress. Rev. James L. Lee was robed by Rev. E. D. McNeely and Mrs. Callie Edwards. June of the same year Mrs. Edwards resigned. Mrs. M. W. Atkins was appointed by the Pastor to serve the unexpired term. At the present time the Jr. Choir still operate under Mrs. Maggie Atkins, President. Mrs. Corine Roddy, Teacher and Pianist. Mrs. Mamie McNeely, Supervisor. Rev. E. D. McNeely, Minister.



Mrs. McNeely

THE JENKINS CHORAL SINGERS (JCS)

The Jenkins Choral Singers (JCS) Singers was organized in the fall of 1941, under the pastorate leadership of Rev. M.J. Jenkins who saw the need to put into service the talents of the young people of the church. Mrs. Mary Jane (Willis) Gaston was the first president of the Chorus and Mrs. Rosie L. (McKinney) Smith was the first pianist. The chorus began to lift their voices in songs of praise to God for



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all mankind. The group of singers made progress and the chorus began to attract new members. Socials, concerts and other Christian programs which was used to raise money for the upbuilding and enlightening of the church.





THE McNEELY MALE CHORUS was officially organized as a group of the Church in 1950 upon the suggestion of the Pastor, Rev. E. D. McNeely. After listening to the splendid renditions of the Men's Day chorus, he thought that this group should be preserved as a permanent male choral group of the Church.

Therefore this group was organized with Mr. Franklin D. Hawkins as its first president, Rev. James Lee as its director and Mr. Lonnie Russell as pianist.

As time rolled on, Mr. Russell could no longer serve and Mrs. Georgia Pegues became the next pianist.

When Mrs. Pegues could no longer serve, Mrs. Rachell Clark was asked to serve as pianist and she continues to serve the group to the present, faithfully helping this group attain the heights so God and man will be pleased.

When Rev. Lee could no longer serve as director, Mr. Lawrence Smith was selected to direct the male chorus. This young man, filled with ambition and experience in spiritual service, lifted the chorus to great heights. When it seemed the chorus was at its zenith, Mr. Smith was called to serve in the U. S. Army.

After his departure, Mr. W. P. Allen, who was Mr. Smith's assistant, became the director. Mr. Willie Parks is present director.

After his long service as president, Mr. Hawkins was assisted by Mr. Levi Clayton.

The following have served as secretaries for the chorus keeping accurate and legible records: Mr. Nathan Townsel, Mr. Edward Billups and Mr. Lawrence Williams. Mr. Maxfield Graham has been the loyal and trustworthy treasurer of the chorus for a number of years. Mr. James Pegues is the newly elected treasurer.

The object of the McNeely Male Chorus is to bring spiritual upliftment through song to sad hearts.

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