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Elmwood Church History



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Marriage Records
Inonton, Ohio

Samuel Hensley
m. Katharine Leffridge (1)
May 4, 1817

Joshua Henwood
m. Anna Knight 26
Nov. 16, 1820

Isaac Hatfield
m. Polly Clark 44
Feb. 7, 1822

Andrew Hatfield
m. Rachel Clark 68
Nov. 20, 1823

William Hatfield
m. Nancy Rucker 198
May 9, 1834

William Hensley
m. Matilda Hensley 221
Feb. 4, 1836

John Hensley
m. Malinda Keyser 239
Feb. 21, 1837

Woodson Hensley

m. Catherine Perdue

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Dec. 20, 1839

Wm. Harshbarger

m. Emily Sprouse

~~Dec. 26, 1839~~

Aug. 5, 1841

Wilson Rogers became the first
Clerk in 1889, and C. A. Davidson
was appointed Treasurer. ~~C. A.~~^{C. S.} Love,
John A. Davidson, and Robert E. L.
Showaker were the first trustees.

The year 1890, was a hard
one on the new church, for the
Baptist Church of Barboursville was
organized that year, and some of
the ~~best~~^{leading} members of Elmwood asked
for letters to that church.

Aug. 21, 1890, there was a
meeting to recognize the ^{Elmwood} church
as an independent Baptist church,
and several other churches were
invited to take part in ~~those~~
the meeting, for that purpose.

Sept. 13, 1890, Charles Showaker
and Chas. A. Love were ordained
as deacons

Dec. 29, 1896, motion to ask
pastor to resign, voted down
A motion to retain him voted
down. He soon quit.

March 21, 1896, C. A. Love elected
Clerk

Nov. 7, 1896 - J. W. Love, Wilson Rogers
and Jno. A. Davidson elected
deacons.

April 11, 1897 Jno. W. Love and
Jno. A. Davidson ordained
deacons

April 12, 1902 - J. W. Love, Sexton.

April 11, 1903 " "

March 12, 1904. John Davidson,
~~Asst.~~ Sunday Sch. Supt
C. Shoumaker, Asst.
Willie Rogers, Sect.
Nova " Treas.

Sept. 30, 1905 - Jno. Gibson, Sexton
at \$20 per year, per
mo. pro-rata.

Sept 6, 1906 - John Davidson,
elected Sunday Sch. Supt
J. W. Love, Librarian

Dec. 3, 1909 - Willie Rogers, Ch.
Treas. First I have noticed

Jan. 1, 1910 - Fred Love, Sunday
Sch. Supt.

Sept. 10, 1910 - Com. appl. for a
New Sexton for John Gibson, drawn

Dec. 9, 1911 - Fred Love.

Willie Rogers resigned as
Church Clerk Treas.

Lola Williams elected but
resigned Jan. 13, 1912 &
Fred Love appl.

✓ ✓ Oct. 10, 1914 - Letters granted John. ✓
Charley, and Sadie Davidson.

April 10, 1915 - Fred Love and
Clifford Davidson appl Trustees

Sept. 9, 1916 - Fred L. Love and S. H.
Davidson chosen Deacons.

H. E. Love & C. R. Morris were
Chosen Trustees, in place
of C. S. Love & Jno. A. David-
son, who have left the
State and Church
Edward Swann elected
Clerk

✓ ✓ March 9, 1918 - Resolution for Soldier
Boys - "To express its sincere
gratitude and best wishes
to all the soldier boys who
were once in our Church"

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praying for their safe return, etc. ✓
with the complete downfall of ✓
the Kaiser. - Sad copy to be sent
to Baptist Banner and to

Paul E. Love, Eustace Morrison,
Joe Morrison, Earl Morrison,
Dick Kelley, Robert Deuker, Ellis
Smallbridge, Alvin Davis, now in
the army, and to their mothers,
at home.

March 1918 - Edgar Swann was
Clerk - possibly before this

May 4, 1924 - Evangelist J. A.
Smith holding a revival

June 3, 1926 - L. E. Browning &
Earl Langdon made Trustees.

Sept. 1, 1929 - B. U. Krug made
application for license to
preach.

April 7 - 1933 - B. U. Krug ordained
Last Minutes in that Book

Book IV 1933-1952

Feb. 2, 1934 - Deacons appt. -
Eura Gotthard
W.H. Buchanan
Alfred Browning, To be
voted on March 3 1934
Elected March 3, "

March 3, 1934 - J. P. May & J. W.
Holley, elected Trustees.
Roy Browning - Janitor,
To fill place of R. E. L.
Shoumaker.

Nov. 7, 1937 - B. V. King, Clerk to
Succeed Edgar Swan, dead.

Jan. 26, 1938 - Church voted to
Build additional rooms
for Sunday School rooms, on
rear.

Sept. 15, 1938 - Vivian Gotthard
Chosen ~~Chairman~~ Treas.

Sept. 28, 1938 - Chas. C. Bowles
elected pastor for 1 yr. &
given leave of absence to
attend school
B. V. King to be asst.
pastor. Cornelius Bowles
declined pastorate without
salary.

April 26, 1939

Mrs. Roy Browning made
asst. clerk.

June 18, 1939 - Vivian Golhard
resigns, as Church treasurer,
W.H. Buckingham elected
Treasurer.

Aug 30, 1939 - Harry King resigns
as Sunday Sch. Supt but
not accepted, Com. appls
to talk to him.

Sept. 3, 1939 - Motion of Homer
Adams to Grant license
to preach to Stanley Blank-
enship, Pastor Chas.
Bowles resigned.

Oct 8, 1939 - 50th Anniversary

G.C. Hulchinson preached
Rev. John O. Cazad preached
P. M.

Rev. H. D. Palmer present

Preachers present

H. D. Palmer

G.C. Hulchinson

John O. Cazad.

L.B. Wetherholt

L. J. Priestley

Stanley B.

Hal Malory

A.A. Collins

Orville Johnson

Chas Bowles

Vergil Miller

July 6, 1940 - Vivian Gothard resigned
as Treas.
New Addition rept finished.

July 22, 1940 - Wickline & Blankenship
ordained. . . J. J. Cook, W. E. Reeves,
L. J. Priestley, Homer Palmer,
James Lewis, B. U. King, Walter
Mitchell, Robert Morris &
G. C. Hulchison

Oct. 15, 1940 - Special session to
License Jack Trump to
preach.

Nov. 27, 1940 - Jack Trump called
as pastor to begin Dec. 1,
1940

April 1941 - Special to ordain
Jack Trump. Wickline
made ordination sermon
Rev. Palmer presented
Bible to candidate.

April 30, 1941 - Thanks to Archer
for flowers for ordination
of Trump

May 28, 1941 - Motion by Jack
Trump seconded by J. P. Mays
that Harold Weehling & Jack
Weehling be appt. Junior Deacons

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Jan. 28, 1942 - motion for revival
to begin Feb. 1, 1942

Harold Meekling to conduct
the devotional (He was
blown up when his ship,
or plane landed in Africa,
in World War I)

Oct. 27, 1942 - James Browning
to be hired as janitor.

May 7, 1944 - Rev. Cecil ~~Clerk~~, Clerc,
nephew of pastor Clerc,
supply pastor - Cecil called
for 3 mos.

Aug. 2, 1944 - Bro. C. H. Clerc,
made pastor at \$75
per mo.

Oct. 11, 1944 - Bro. Rule chosen
supply pastor for Rev.
Clerc, to begin Nov. 19,
1944. Bro. Cecil Jones
assisted in the revival.

Dec. 5, 1944 - Mrs. Joan Meekling
gave \$100 to start a
memorial fund for her
husband, Harold B.
Meekling. Voted to
build Belknap.

Feb. 7, 1945

Moved a revival be held
on or about April 10, 1945
with Rev. Dr. Mc Murray as
Speaker

Oct. 24, 1945 - Cecil Clare resumed
his duties as pastor, he
having rec'd his discharge
from the navy.

Oct. 21, 1945 - Bro. Clare
stated that after much
consideration he felt
he should resign as
pastor under the present
circumstances. Bill Duveau
made motion to accept.
seconded by Fred Love.
Accepted.

Oct. 31, 1945 - Rule declined to
hold revival. Hutchinson
Chosen with power to
name his helpers
Revival postponed for
indefinite time.

Feb. 6, 1946 - Revival services
set for Feb. 12, 1946,
with Dr. Fox, revivalist

May 1, 1946

The movement on "Bibles for
Russia" discussed

May 8, 1946

Clerk - May Browning

Treasurer - W. H. Buckhaman.

June 6, 1946 - Motion that
\$50 be sent to Rev. Reeves,
for Russian Society for
Bibles.

Oct. 2, 1946 - The Revival was
held the first 2 weeks
in Nov, with G. C. Hutch
inson, in charge.

March 14, 1948 - Earl Morrison
ordained as Deacon.

May 5, 1948 - J. H. Wilson
given job of furnishing
Sunday School Rooms.
floors & pulpit.

July 7, 1948 - ~~Law~~ installed.
Rather motion to "

Aug. 3, 1949 - Fred Love Jr.
given License to preach
for one year.

June 7, 1950 - W.H. Buckhaman
resigned as Treas. stating
he had served 12 years,
but wished to continue as
treasurer of the memorial
fund until the church
decides what it wishes to
do. Vivian Gothard elected
treasurer vs Carl Halfield.
Motion to retain Mrs.
Love, pianist.

Gothard refused to serve
as Treas & Carl Halfield
was appt. until July meet-
ing.

July 5, 1950 - Gertrude Gothard
elected Treasurer.

Aug. 3, 1950 - Motion made to
give the pastor 2 wks
vacation. with pay.

Sun. Aug. 6, 1950 - Motion to
send an outstanding boy
or girl from the Vacation
Bible School expense pd.
to the Baptist Camp,
at Cowan. Those selected
from the 1950 school

✓
✓
✓

Creechton Stewart, alternate

Stanley Blakenship

Jeanette Blakenship

Dorothy Adams

Oct. 4, 1950.

Mrs Anna Gothard stated that members of her class would furnish paper for walls of the auditorium, and paint for the ceiling.

Stanley Blakenship hired for 90 days, at \$80, a mo. He stated he would donate the salary "as long as members continued to pay as before he would donate his salary to the church while the repair program was on.

Motion that Bro. G. C. Nutehinson be paid \$40 for his two weeks vacation.

Nov. 1, 1950 - Offer of Y. M. Club to plant shrubbery on church lawn be accepted.

Dec. 6, 1950 - Motion to use Tan Dramax (Sponge effect) on wall instead of paper. Rev. Stanley B. to be chairman of the Repair Com.

Jan. 3, 1957 - Motion to hire Bro. Stanley B., on recommendation of Deacons, for remainder of the year till April 30, 1957
Hulchinson nominated against Beankenship - elected

April 4, 1957 - Bro. Beankenship re-elected

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Aug. 1, 1957 - Kenney Music Co. put the organ in on lease - 3 yrs. to pay - \$50 credit on any church sells - this one at \$1200.

Franklin Spurlock }
Russell Gotthard }
made jr. Deacons

↙

Dec. 5, 1957 - Total rpt in Memorial fund \$277 + int. approximately \$10.

\$130 of this p d. by
Joan Buckingham Weckling
Clarence Kutherholl 15.00
Rev. Carl Cleve 10.00
Bess Shomaker 5.00
Carl Hatfield deposited 45.00
\$25 of which I under-stand was pd. to Eva Gotthard.

The last 2 donations was \$25
from Heck Funeral Home through
Rev. Hutchinson

Hal O. Mallory 15.00

W.H. Buckhaman,
Treas. of fund
June 7, 1950

Deacons

The first deacons were Charles Shomaker and Charles A. Love. Others were added from time to time:

Jas. W. Love, Wilson Rodgers, John A. Davidson, Fred L. Love, Samuel H. Davidson, Ezra Golhard, William H. Buckhannan, Alfred Browning, Earl Morrison.

Harold and Jack Meehling were appointed Junior Deacons, in recent years, and were ordained with all the ceremony usually employed with their elder brothers.

Trustees

John A. Davidson and R. E. L. Shomaker ("Bob" Shomaker) were followed by Fred Love, Clifford Davidson, H. E. Love, C. R. Morris, L. E. Browning, Earl Langdon, J. P. May, and J. W. Holley.

Clerks

Wilson Rodgers was elected clerk in 1888. In 1916, he was succeeded by Edgar Swann who served until ^{his death in} the fall of 1937, when he was succeeded by Bert V. King. Mr. King was succeeded by Mrs. May Browning, April 26, 1939, and she has continued to serve until the present time.

Treasurers

The records on none of the officers seem to be complete, but Charles A. Davidson must have been the first Treasurer. He was followed by Nov Rogers, from March to December 1909; Willie Rodgers December 1909 to December 1911; Lola Williams Dec. 1911 to Jan, 1912; Fred Love Jan 1912 Vivian Gotthard Sept. 1939 to June 1939; W.H. Buckhaman June 1939 to July 7, 1950, when he resigned and was succeeded, by Gertie Gotthard.

Preachers

Elmwood has done her share in producing young ministers to carry on the work of the master. Among these were three brothers-in-law, Bert (B.U.) King, Stanley Blankenship and Wickline.

Mr. King applied for license Sept. 1929, and was ordained April 7, 1933. He has been a mail carrier for many years, but has served as pastor of several churches, among which was the old Guyandotte Church after the death of Rev. Morris. He and Mr. Wickline were ordained, on the same day July 22, 1940.

Stanley Blankenship, on motion of Homer Adams, was granted license to preach Sept. 3, 1939, and is now pastor of the church.

Soldier Boys

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The church did not forget its soldier boys. On March 9, 1918, resolutions were passed "to express its sincere gratitude and best wishes to all the soldier boys, who were once in our church, praying for their safe return, with the complete downfall of the Kaiser." Copy to be sent to the Baptist Banner, and to Paul E. Love, Eustace Morrison, Joe Morrison, Lick Dunkle, Hobert Dunkle, Ellis Smallbridge and Alvin Davis, now in the army, and to their mothers, at home. This was in World War I.

Secretary

Willie Rogers 3-12-1904

Improvements

Church voted to
build additional rooms } 1-26-38
for Sunday sch., on rear }

New addition finished 6-6-1940

Deacons:

Chas Showaker }
Chas A. Love } Sept. 13, 1890.

J. W. Love } ordained 4-11-97
Wilson Rogers }
Jno. A. Davidson } Nov. 7, 1896
" 4-11-97

Fred L. Love Sept. 9, 1916,
S H. Davidson " 9, " "

Eura Gotthard }
W.H. Buckhaman } 2-2-34
Alfred Browning } nominated to be
Harold Meehling } voted on 3-3-34
Jack Meehling } Elected 3-3-39
Motion of Jack I. [unclear]
to appt. them Junior
Deacons.

Earl Morrison ord 3-14-48
ained.

Trustees

Jno A. Davidson } First ones.
Bob Showaker }

Fred Love }
Clifford Davidson } 4-10-15.

H. E. Love 9-9-1916
C. R. Morris " " "

Left state { Jno A. Davidson Resigned 9-9-16
C. S. Love " " " "

L. E. Browning } 6-3-26.
Earl Langdon }

(Over)

Trustees -

J. P. May

J. W. Holley

}

3-3-34

~~March 1932~~

~~For example, Mr. L.~~

Preachers

B. V. King - Applied for License
Sept. 1-29.

Ordained 4-7-33.

Stanley Blankenship - Homer Adams
makes motion to grant
license to preach. 9-3-39

Ueckline & }
Blankenship } ordained 7-22-40

Jack Trump - Special }
Session to license } 10-15-40
him to preach }

& called as pastor
to begin Dec. 1, 1940

Special meeting to } 4- -41
ordain him } ~~24.~~

See copy

Renewal - Feb. 1, 1942 - preacher
not named.

Renewal - Rev Rule ass't. by
Rev. Cecil Jones 10-11-44

" - By Dr. Mc Murray 2-7-44

" - Rule declined to hold

(Over) Hulderson closed 2-6-46

See copy.

Mr. Fox - Revivalist 2-12-46

G. C. Hutchinson in charge

of revival 1st 2 wks in
Nov. 1946

Fred Love Jr.

Licensure for 1 yr.

granted to preach 8-3-49

Clerk - Wilson Rodgers (1st) 1889

Edgar Swann Sept. 9, 1916.

B. V. King To
Succeed Edgar
Swann, decd 9-9-37

Mrs. Roy Browning }
Chosen Asst. } 4-26-39

May Browning 5-8-46

" "

Treasurer -

C. A. Davidson

Nova Rogers - 3-12-1904

Willie Rogers 12-3-1909

" " Resigned 12-9-1911

Lola Williams 12-9-1911

" " Resigned 1-13-1912

Fred Love - 1-13-1912

Vivian Gothard 9-15-38

" " Resigned }
W. H. Buckhaman } 6-18-39

Vivian Gothard }
resigns } July 6, 1940.

(Over)

Treasurer

~~May Brown~~

W.H. Buckhannon 5-8-46

" resigned 7-5-50

Gertie Golhard leded " " "

Membership Changes

C. S. Love }
Jno A. Davidson } Sept. 9, 1916

Had Left the state.

Renewals

Evangelist - J. A. Smith - 5-4-24
5-4-24

Sexton
J. W. Love - 4-12-1902
4-11-1909

Jno. Gibson - 9-30-1905 - at \$20
per yr - pro-rata per
mo.

Sept. 10, 1910 - Com. appl.
for a new one, Gibson
having been drowned.

Roy Browning - Janson instead of
R. E. L. Shomaker 3-3-34

James Browning - 10-29-42

Sunday Sch. Supt

John Davidson - 3-12-1904

C. Shomaker - Asst. " " "

John Davidson 9-6-06

Fred Love 1-1-1910

Harry King - resigned
but not accepted } Sept. 3, 1939
Com. appl. to talk
to him