

1855-1965

History

Duncan's Creek

Congregational Christian Church



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DUNCAN'S CREEK

CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

HISTORY

1855-----1965

Duncan's Creek Congregational Christian Church was organized July 23, 1855, with an enrollment of twenty or twenty-five, members.

Reverend A.M.Stringer, first preached a sermon to a groupe of people congregated under a large oak tree near where the present Church now stands, at that time there were very few churches in this section of the country. Feeling the need for another church, several people started plans for Duncan's Creek.

Mr. Hugh Duncan, gave about four acres of land on which the first church was erected in 1855, Duncan's Creek was the twenty-eighth church to be built in Gwinnett County.

While the first two churches were being built, drinking water was carried from a spring at the back of the Church, this Branch is known as Duncan's Creek Branch and is also the Church property line, thereby the name, Duncan's Creek Church.

Duncan's Creek was organized as a Congregational Methodist Church and continued as such until July 21, 1888.

The first church was a small frame building, made of logs and rough lumber, the windows or shutters as they were called, were made of wood and opened on hinges like doors,

the benches or pews were made of one wide plank for a seat and narrow planks for a slatted back. The only lights for the Church were small kerosene lamps hanging on the walls or placed on the ministers stand, the Church had a small church organ, which was played by Mr. George Wood and his daughter Molly.

Twenty of the Charter members were;

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Duncan;
Mr. and Mrs. William Parel;
Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hays;
Mr. and Mrs. Able Mauldin;
Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Parel;
Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Teagle;
Mr. and Mrs. Able Waldrip;
Mr. and Mrs. Billie Braswell;
Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Miller;
Mr. and Mrs. Charles McConnel;

During the years that Duncan's Creek was a Congregational Methodist, the main officers of the Church, consisted of a Pastor, two Church leaders, two deacons, two stewards, three trustees and a secretary. In 1887, Reverend W. F. Brewer, was pastor, the Church leaders, were E. C. Mauldin, and S. F. Parel, the deacons were J. M. Fallon and W. L. K. Durham, the stewards were E. L. Parel and R. M. Parel, the trustees were W. E. Forrester, and W. H. Duncan, and E. L. Parel, the secretary was J. T. Hays.

In 1855, the Church members built a brush arbor at the back of the church to be used during revivals and associations, since there was not enough room in the church building for the extra people or visitors, logs or large rocks were used to sit on at those services.

Some of the first graves in the church

cemetery had small houses or shelters, built over them, some graves had a picket fence or a wire fence around them, and there being no stock law at that time, the cemetery had a fence around it to keep animals out.

There was one small Negro, child buried just outside the cemetery fence, the child's parents were slaves of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Duncan.

Since there were no churches for Negroes at that time, Negroes, of good character were admitted for membership in Duncan's Creek Church, until they could be organized in a body to themselves, providing they occupied the back seats of the church.

The trustees of Duncan's Creek Church, in 1855, were; Mr. Able Waldrip, Mr. Henry F. Miller and Mr. Charles McConnel.

The land given by Mr. Hugh Duncan, was deeded to the church, July 14, 1882, and recorded in land deed book in the Court House, in Lawrenceville, Georgia, July 19, 1882.

J. Y. Flowers, N. P.

D. S. Cain, Clerk

According to information, found in a secretary book of 1884--1889, belonging to Duncan's Creek Church, and discovered in an old building, which was torn down in 1964, to make way for Freeway 1-85, a new constitution and by-laws was framed, in 1867, while the church was still a Congregational Methodist, the name Duncan's Creek, was retained.

In 1888, a new group of by-laws and constitution was framed; There were nine-teen,

by-laws, which are copied in full in secretary book of 1932---1954.

And copied from secretary book of 1888, and 1901, this constitution states as follows,

Duncan's Creek Church, Gwinnett County, Georgia.

This Church is in full Connection with the united Congregational Conference of Georgia, and shall be known as a Congregational Church, and its members known as Congregationalist. All the by-laws were submitted by the committee appointed to frame a constitution and by-laws for the Church, and were adopted by the Church Conference, July 21, 1888.

The names of the committee were;

Reverand J.C. Forrester; --- --Pres.
Reverand P.M. Reece; --- ---- Secy.
J.L. Burel; --Assistant Secy.
R.J. Burel;
E.C. Mauldin;
Nat Teagle;
J.T. Hays;
L.H. Burel;

W.F. Brewer, Presiding
J.T. Hays, Secretary

Formerler of rules of business adopted in 1888, were.

Are there any unfinished business?

Are there any reports from the business committee ?

Are there any reports from the vigilant committee ?

Miscillaneous business.

Minutes read and approved.
Conference closed by prayer or benediction.

Reverand W.F. Brewer, Presiding
J.T. Hays, Secretary

Duties of the Vigilant Committee

It was the duty of the vigilant committee to first watch themselves, that they walk in newness of life, next to watch over members of the church and if any members were found guilty of violating the rules of the Bible or the church, the committee counseled with them giving them advise, trying to win them back to Christ and rules of the church, if they remained incorrigable, they were brought before the church conference for trial and either confessed their mistake and asked forgiveness and were pardoned or they were expelled from the church membership.

Some were brought before the conference for failing to perform their duties as church leaders, some for being intoxicated, some for giving parties in their homes or going to parties, some for using unaproperate language, some for refusing to fellowship with a fellow member or going to law with a fellow member, most of these were pardoned after their confession, two were expelled for telling lies and stealing.

It was the duty of the vigilant committee to look after the sick the poor and distressed members of the church, and to report such people to the church or business committee, so they could be taken care of.

In 1888, when the membership roll was revised, there were sixty-three, male members and ninety-eight, female members.

According to the church record book of 1884--1889, Duncan's Creek Church Committee, met September, 21, 1889, and sold the first old church, building to Mr. A. J. Crane, for sixteen dollars and fifty cents, and let a bid for building, a new church, Mr. W. H. Braswell, being the lowest bidder. Therefore Mr. Braswell's bid of seventy dollars was excepted.

A copy of the agreement to the church building, erected in 1889, was;

We the undersigned, agree and bind ourselves, to pay to Stephen A. Patrick, by December 1, 1889, for the purpose of building a Church, near C. B. Pool's store, the sum opposite our names.;

" said house to be of the following deminisions, -to wit" Length fifty feet, width thirty-four feet, distance between joist fifteen inches, with six lights to the side and panel doors.

" The Lord Loveth a Cheerful Giver"

P.H. Reece	+	\$ 5.00;	J.L. Burel	w	5.00
J.T. Hays	+	5.00;	W.L.K. Durham		10.00
L.H. Burel	+	5.00;	S.A. Patrick	p	5.00
L.H. Cronic	+	2.00;	S.M. Holman	p	2.50
W.H. Braswell	+	5.00;	Y.W. Dickard	p	2.50
S.F. Burel	p	20.00;	E.C. Mauldin	p	50.00
W.A. Patrick	+	5.00;	J.L. Glover	p	10.00
J.A. Farabee	+	5.00;	R.J. Burel	p	20.00
R.M. Burel		5.00;	J.M. Fallon	+	50.00
J.C. Hays		12.50;	W.W. Burel	+	20.00
E.L. Burel	p	15.00;	W.M. Stringer		2.00
W.E. Forrester	+	1.00;	J.A. Lovin	p	5.00
W.E. Brown	p	1.00;	D.G. Lovin	p	1.00
J.D. Spence	+	.50;	W.T. Clack	+	.50
J.W. Frasure	+	.50;			

A.L. Sammons	p	.50;	J.N. Wrohson		.50
J.M. Deaton		.50;	S.S. Boing	+	.50
W.T. Lanly	+	.50;	L.H. Brand	+	1.00
J.G. Lankin	+	1.00;	J.E. Carrel	+	1.00
J.E. Lord	+	1.00;	T.E. Winn	+	1.00
T.E. Mise	p	1.00;	W.W. Wilson	+	.25
G.W. Maddox		1.00;	C.T. Daniel		1.00
Mrs. Jane Duncan		10.00;	John Spencer		1.00

" Some of these names were marked paid some had + marks which probly meant they worked instead of giving money as this was verified by some older members!"

Committee in charge of the church in 1889.

W.L.K. Durham, --- -----Chairman
 L.H. Burel, -----Secretary & Treasurer
 N. Teagle, S.F. Burel, R.M. Burel, J.M. Losen, E.L. Burel, W.H. Braswell, S.A. Patrick, J.T. Hays, J.L. Burel, A.J. Crane, E.C. Mauldin, W.M. Duncan.

September 21, 1889

Reverand J.C. Forrester, Mod.

S.A. Patrick, was elected secretary, in the year 1889, for Duncan's Creek Church, J.C. Forrester, was elected Pastor.

In 1889, the church membership roll was revised, at that time there were 55 male members, 82 female members and 14 non resident members.

Committees elected for 1900--1901;

Finance committee; W.J. Roebuck, S.F. Burel, R.N. Burel, J.J. Jett, Lula Sherfield and Barbra Pool.

Preaching Committee; E.C.Mauldin,W.W. Burel, W.J.Roebuck,W.F.Mauldin and J.K.Elinburg.

Vigilant Committee; E.C.Mauldin,John Fallon,Etsel Burel,James Burel and R.M. Burel.

Business Committee; Spencer Burel,L.H. Burel,Stephen Patrick,Kieth Durham and Nat Teagle.

Advisers; Isaac Teagle,Jefferson Burel, J.C.Forrester and P.H.Reece.

Trustees for 1901; J.T.Hays,C.T.Daniel and J.K.Elinburg.

The above to act as Committeemen with the regular election for the year of officers.

The first memorial day service,at Duncan's Creek,was in the early 1890's there was services in the morning only,this day was called decoration day. There was also a morning service,called children's day,on that day the small children and teen-age girls and boys would recite a poem appropriate for the day.

The first all day services were held in May 1900. Lunch was served at noon and there were services in the afternoon.This was the beginning of our annual " Fourth Sunday,in May, Memorial day!"

During the early years of the Church and until 1901,(at least)the address of Duncan's Creek Church was Teagle Georgia.

Mail was delivered by stagecoach , horse and buggy,or sometimes by horse-back one day each week, to Teagles store and to

C.B.Pool's store,people walked or road horse-back to these places to pick up their mail.

Alliance Hall

On July 26,1890, Duncan's Creek Church, members granted to the people of the community, the privilage to build a hall on the Church,property,this building was known as "Gwinnett County Farmers Alliance Hall!"

The building was a two story house and stood just below where the Church,now stands. on certain days the people of the community would meet at the Hall and put in their order for the supplies they needed,the secretary,Mr.Keeth Durham, would cary the order to Lawrenceville,where the supplies were bought wholesale and delivered to Mr.C.B.Pool's store,in bulk,barrel ,100 pound sacks,or according to the order,the people then went to Mr.Pool's store to receive their order,there by getting supplies a little cheaper.

Later the upper floor of the building was used as an " Odd Fellows Hall!" The ground floor was used as a school room,Mr.Bud Burel,was the teacher. Mrs.Missouri D.Mauldin,Mrs.Linie Braswell Dalton and Mrs.Fvie Pool Mauldin,attended School in what used to be the " Alliance Hall." On June 30,1900,the building was sold to Mr.A.J.Crane,for \$15.00.

During the 1920's and early 30's the Church of 1889,was remodled,until that time there were large post about ten inches square in the center of the Church,they were removed,the pulpit remodled,the floors elevated and different lights were instaled.

The land where the Cemetery annex or new Cemetery is, was planted in cotton and called "The Lords Acre," The money or cotton stamps, from this project was applied on the pastor's salary.

On November 1 and 2, 1932, the Forty Second Conference Meeting of Georgia's Congregational Churches met at Duncan's Creek, Reverend W. Carl Parker, was pastor at that time.

The theme of this Conference was "Greater Things Than These," This was a joint meeting of Congregational and Christian Churches.

Copied from a program of 1932- At this meeting the constitution adopted by the Georgia and Alabama, Christian Conference will be adopted by the Congregational people. This will complete the "Merger," of the Georgia churches, it is a great step in advance and in some respects places Georgia, in the lead in becoming actually and wholly organically one body.

The constitution and by-laws of the merger were studied by the pastor, Reverend W. Carl Parker, the deacons and trustees of Duncan's Creek Church, and on October 25, 1936, Duncan's Creek Consolidated with the other Congregational and Christian Churches of Georgia and Alabama.

In August, 1934, the members of Duncan's Creek, bought from Mr. Clyde Cain, approximately one and one half acres of land across the road, in front of the Church, for which they paid in full \$ 75.00.

In 1950, a small strip of land joining the cemetery at the upper side, on the road

intersecting with highway, 124, was bought from Mr. Paul Cheek, for \$ 15.00, making a total of 6.60, acres of land belonging to Duncan's Creek Church, and recorded in land Deed Book K, page 16, in the Court House in Lawrenceville, Georgia, August 24, 1963.

For many years, Duncan's Creek was a part of what was known as the Macedonia, Parish, of Congregational Christian Churches. This Parish consisted of Macedonia, Braselton, Georgia, Sardis, Oxford, Georgia, Liberty, Bowman, Georgia, and Duncan's Creek, Buford, Georgia.

The four churches had two joint meetings each year, one in the spring and one in the fall, each of the churches were usually represented by some member or members of their Church.

At one meeting each year Central Congregational Church, Atlanta, Georgia, Center Church, Atlanta, County Line, Love Joy, and Demorest Congregational Christian Church, Demorest, Georgia, were invited to meet with the other four churches, as the old North Georgia, Association of Congregational Christian churches.

The four churches, known as the Macedonia Parish, bought a building near Macedonia to be used as a parsonage, for the ministers who served the parish. This building had been known as "The Hall County School Property," The building was remodeled, and used as a parsonage as long as three or more churches of the Macedonia Parish, desired it to be so used.

The parish council: Consisted of two members from each of the four churches, It was the duty of the parish council to look after

the maintenance the insurance and the upkeep of the parsonage and to see that each church were advised as to the amount each church would pay on the expenses.

At a joint meeting held at Liberty, Congregational Church, Bowman, Georgia, on September 18, 1955, Mr. Thomas Henderson, of Sardis Church, asked that Sardis be released from the parish, Mr. Scott Maddox, of Duncan's Creek asked that Duncan's Creek, also be released from the parish. Mr. Henderson, explained to the other churches, that Sardis and Duncan's Creek, planned to have services two Sunday's each month. This release was granted.

Sardis Church and Duncan's Creek Church were then in a separate parish, and although the two churches do not use the same minister as pastor, they have continued to have a joint meeting in the spring and fall.

On October 26, 1957, at regular conference Duncan's Creek members voted to build a new Church. This Church to be of red brick, about the same dimensions as the Church erected in 1889, except ! The new Church was to have small rooms on each side of the front entrance, a full basement with Sunday School rooms, kitchen, dining area, and two rest rooms.

The Sanctuary to have stained glass windows and the Church to have a gas central heating system.

A building fund was set up for this purpose, and in the spring of 1958, there were enough funds to begin planning the basement of the Church.

Mr. Carl M. Cain, was elected supervisor over the construction of the Church building, and on August 29, 1958, work on the basement of the Church was begun.

Many people donated labor which amounted to 1,216, hours of work, this was estimated at \$ 2,219.00.

On Sunday September 28, 1958, the last service in the old Church building of 1889, was held, lunch was served at noon and a large audience of people were present.

The following week the old Church building was torn down, some of the material from the old Church was used in the new Church.

On October 5, 1958, Sunday School was held in the basement of the new Church, and on October 12, 1958, the first preaching service was held in the Church basement, Reverend Gaylon A. Beard, was the pastor of Duncan's Creek, and preached the first sermon in the new Church basement.

The first conference meeting was October 25, 1958. Meeting was called to order by Reverend Beard, prayer by Burton Burel, Sr.

Reverend Gaylon A. Beard, Moderator

Samuel W. Stancil, Secretary and Treasurer.

Church members and many friends of Duncan's Creek, were very generous in offering donations, and the building of the new Church, went forward until completed in 1960.

The material and hired labor for the Church, cost \$ 17,806.00,

The new pews and pulpit chairs were paid for by different families of the Church and most of them were dedicated in memory of some deceased member of the family; with the exception of a few pews, which were

paid for through the Sunday School and friends of the Church.

The Church pews cost \$ 2,502.60, pulpit chairs \$ 141.63, Sunday School, room furniture \$ 223.00, Communion table, approximately \$ 84.00, it was also donated by a family of the Church.

The kitchen equipment was donated by Church members, except the new refrigerator which was recently bought by Church donations.

The Church and Church property, is valued over \$ 30,000.00.

At the time the new Church was built there were ninety-four male members and one-hundred and six female members, a total of two hundred, members.

We were three years in completing the new Church, and the Church was clear of debt on dedication day February 26, 1961.

Duncan's Creek Congregational Church

Dedication Service, February 26, 1961

PROGRAM

Church Sunday School

Invocation--Reverend Charles Rary, pastor

Hymns and offertory

Sermon--Reverend James Lightbourn, Jr.

Prayer--Reverend James Lightbourn, Jr.

Lunch

The Church record was read by the Church clerk--Mr. Claude Holman

Recognition of Former Pastors

Installation of Deacons

Hymn---" Blest Be The Tie That Binds"

The Act of Dedication, Minister and People

Minister: To the glory of God the Father, who has called us by His grace;
To the honor of His Son, who loved us and gave Himself for us;
To the praise of the Holy Spirit, who illumines and sanctifies us;

People: We dedicate this house.

Minister: For the worship of God in prayer and praise;
For the preaching of the everlasting gospel;
For the celebration of the Holy Sacraments;

People: We dedicate this house.

Minister: For the comfort of all who mourn;
For strength to those who are tempted;
For light to those who seek the way;

People: We dedicate this house.

Minister: For the hallowing of family life;
For teaching and guiding the young;
For the perfecting of the saints;

People: We dedicate this house.

Minister: For the conversion of sinners;
For the promotion of righteousness;
For the extension of the Kingdom of God;

People: We dedicate this house.

Minister: In unity of the faith;
In the bond of Christian brotherhood;
In charity and good will to all;

People: We dedicate this house.

Minister: In gratitude for the labors of all who love and serve this church;
In loving remembrance of those who have finished their course;
In the hope of a blessed immortality through Jesus Christ our Lord;

People: We dedicate this house.

Laying of the Corner Stone-----Deacons

Prayer of Dedication----Mr.Herman.Gower

Hymn:----" God Be With You "

Benediction----- Mr.Calvin Burel

Names of Deacons while the New Church was being built from 1957--1960--1961.

Mr.Scott Maddox, deceased, 1960
Mr.Alvin Burton Burel,Sr. deceased,1960
Mr.Cliford Cronic, Mr. Claude Holman
Mr.Herman Gower,
Mr.Calvin Burel, Mr.Troy Burel.
Mr.Grover Gower,

Church Building Committee

1957-----1960

Mr.Carl M.Cain; Supervisor

Building Committee

W.S.Holman, J.C.Burel, F.J.Mauldin, J.H. Gower, Herman Stancil, Claude Holman and Pery Lee Patrick.

Finance Committee

Gaylon A.Beard and Samuel W.Stancil

Secretary and Treasurer

S.W.Stancil and Grover Gower

Church Officers

Reverand Gaylon A.Beard, Pastor

Ray Haynie, Sunday School Superintendant

J.Herman Gower, Choirster

Grace B.Puckett,Pianist

Janice G.Etheridge,assistant pianist

Trustees

W.S.Holman, J.C.Burel, F.J.Mauldin and in 1959, Lester (Buck) Maddox.

Deacons

Mr.Scott Maddox, Mr.Cliford Cronic, Mr.Troy Burel, Mr.Burton Burel, Mr. Herman Gower, Mr.Calvin Burel, Mr.Claude Holman and Mr.Grover Gower.

The Centinial---1955

The Centinial or one-hundredth anniversary, of Duncan's Creek Church, was observed, May 22, 1955, estimated number of people present, five-hundred.

The first persons to be buried in Duncan's Creek cemetery, were Mrs. Elizabeth Wright and a small child Amanda Duncan, August 2, 1859.

The last funeral conducted in the old Church, of 1889, was Mrs. Nettie (Scott) Mad-dox, September, 1958.

The first funeral conducted in the new Church, was, Mr. Melvin B. Hays, December 1958, This was the first service in the new Church Sanctuary.

The last person to be received into the Church, for membership was Mr. Talmage Hays, September 28, 1958.

The first person to be received into the New Church for membership was Ronnie Owens, June 1959.

There has been three weddings in the New Church.

Mr. Binnie Travis Phillips, to Miss Patricia Ann Gower, April 22, 1959.

Mr. Donis R. Etheridge, to Miss Janice Thelma Gower, July 3, 1959.

Mr. James Claude Holman, to Miss Patricia Cheek, March 14, 1965.

The oldest living member of Duncan's Creek, as the new church was being built, was Mrs. Aritha H. Waters, deceased, December 31, 1960.

The oldest living member on day of Dedication, was Mrs. Missouri D. Mauldin, she is ninety years of age.

Five ministers are buried in the Church cemetery.

Reverand J.A. Farabee, 1890

Reverand P.H. Reese, May 21, 1909

Reverand J.T. Forrester, April 25, 1920

Reverand Marion W. Patrick, Oct. 26, 1918

Reverand James Hardy Roebuck, Jan, 1938

The members of Duncan's Creek Church, bought a monument for Reverand Farabee's Grave in 1898.

Ministers who have served Duncan's Creek Church, from 1855-- through 1964.

Reverand A.M. Stringer	-----	1855
Reverand John Tumelin	-----	
Reverand John B. Reese	-----	
Reverand T.J. Pass	-----	
Reverand A.J. Lyles	-----	1884
Reverand J.C. Forrester	-----	1885
Reverand W.F. Brewer	-----	1886
Reverand A.J. Lyles	-----	1887
Reverand W.F. Brewer	-----	1888
Reverand J.C. Forrester	----- 1889---	1895
Reverand M.G. Flemin	----- 1896---	1900
Reverand S.H. Letson	-----	1901
Reverand A.J. Lyles	-----	1902

Reverand J.N.Ewing	-----1905--	1907
Reverand J.C.Forrester	-----1908--	1911
Reverand B.B.Crane	-----	1912
Reverand Sam Penn	-----1913--	1919
Reverand B.B.Crane	-----1920 --	1921
Reverand Sam Penn	-----1922--	1923
Reverand M.L.Thrasher	-----1924 -	1929
Reverand W.C.Parker	-- -----1930--	1935
Reverand C.W.Hanson	-----	1936
Reverand Allen Jones	-----	1937
Reverand N.A.Long	-----1938--	1939
Reverand M.V.White	-----1940--	1942
Reverand S.M.Penn	-----1943 -	1944
Reverand F.A.Gunter	-----1945--	1946
Reverand Raymond Berry	-----1947--	1949
Reverand Tom Dean	-- part of --	1950
Reverand W.C.Parker	--part of -	1950-- 1951
Reverand J.T.McAdams	-----	1952
Reverand Scott Morris	-----1953 p	1955
Reverand Hugh Lasseter	- part of	1955
Reverand Thomas Isbel	-----1956--	1957
Reverand Gaylon A.Beard	-----1957-p	1960
Reverand Thomas Isbel	-----p	1960
Reverand Cecil Barner	-June til Sept.	1960
Reverand Charles V.Rary	-----1960--	1964

Reverand Charles V.Rary; Is the present pastor, and has been elected to serve through 1965.

Amount paid to pastor of Duncan's Creek Church, in the year, 1898.

Reverand M.G.Flemin, Pastor

W.L.K.Durham	-----	\$ 6.00
P.H.Reece	-----	1.50
E.C.Mauldin	-- -----	2.50
E.L.Burel	-----	4.96
W.W.Burel	-----	2.05
S.F.Burel	-----	3.00
L.H.Burel	-----	2.00
W.H.Duncan	-- -----	1.50
C.T.Daniel	-----	1.25
Mrs.M.A.Burel	-----	1.75
N.M.Burel	-----	2.00
J.T.Hays	-----	2.50
old Mrs.Hays	-----	2.50
A.J.Crane	-----	10.00
N.Teagle	-----	1.30
Geo.Pool	-----	.75
W.J.Roebuck	-----	.75
Q.Sherfield	-----	.10
R.M.Burel	-----	.75
L.M.Burel	-----	.60
I.R.Teagle	-----	.25
W.M.Duncan	-----	.25
J.K.Ellinburg	-- -----	.25
W.T.Burel	-----	.60
S.A.Patrick	-----	1.00
W.M.Duncan	-----	2.00
Mrs.Jett	-----	1.00
I.R.Teagle	-----	
Mrs.I.R.Teagle	-----	5.00

Total . \$ 67.96

For Record Book, 1901

M.C.Gain -----	.05
S.M.Holman -----	.05
W.V.Patrick -----	.02
J.W.Roebuck -----	.10
P.H.Reese -----	.05
S.F.Burel -----	.05
W.W.Burel -----	.02
E.L.Burel -----	.10
W.E.Tuggle -----	.02
Nat Teagle -----	.10
J.M.Pool -----	.02
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Total .60

In 1899, Duncan's Creek Church paid to For-
ign Missions ----- \$ 1.90

To Home Missions ----- \$ 2.00

In 1900, the church bought eigh-teen hymn .
books, for which they paid----- \$ 2.40

Literature for one quarter cost -- 1.73

Secretery book ----- 2.00

Tools for the cemetary -- ----- 2.75

Mr.W.M.Duncan, was house or church
keeper, in 1900, for his services he
was paid.--- - ----- 3.00

DUNCAN'S CREEK CHURCH

OFFICERS----- 1965

Reverand Charles V.Rary; Pastor

Church Clerk

Donnis Etheridge;
Holland Maddox, Assistant Clerk

Moderator

Ray Haynie;

Deacons

Herman Gower; Chairman, Clifford Cronie,
Calvin Burel, Grover Gower, Troy Burel,
and Claude Holman

Trustees

Byron Cleghorn, Holland Maddox and Troy
Burel

Choirster

Troy Burel

Historian

Eunice M.Burel

Ladies Auxiliary

Bonnie Lee Cleghorn; President
Eunice M.Burel; Secretery and Treasurer

Sunday School

Donnis Etheridge; Superindtenent

Samuel W. Stancil; Assistant Superintendent

Secretary and Treasurer

Dorsy Stancil and Larry Maddox

Choirster

Jerry Haynie and Larry Maddox

Sunday School Teachers

Card class; Janice Etheridge and
Barbra Maddox

Primary class; Mavis Phillips and
Flora Holman

Junior class; Jewel Gower and
Effie Swancy

Intermediate; Grace Puckett and
Hazle Maddox

Seniors; Bonnie Lee Cleghorn and
Vesta Haynie

Young Married People; S.W. Stancil and
Lamar Frachiseur

Adult class; Herman Gower and Calvin
Burel

Female Members; In 1965

Austin Mildred 1
Baton Winnie Maude Burel 2
Boggs Clara 3
Boggs Maggie 4
Boggs Sarah Bell Stancil 5
Brooks May Holman 6
Burel Eunice Mauldin 7
Burel Flossie Waters 8
Burel Lorena Hollis 9
Burel Lula Hays 10
Burel Mary Jane Pruett 11
Burel Nezzie Duncan 12
Cain Capolene Mauldin 13
Cain Girlie Daniel 14
Cain Ruth Williams 15
Carson Ruth Tuggle 16
Casper Bonnie Ruth Boggs 17
Cleghorn Bonnie Lee Stancil 18
Collins Audry Hays 19
Crane Girlie Waters 20
Crane Junie 21
Cronic Gertrude Roberts 22
Cruse Rose Roebuck 23
Dalton Linie Cronic Braswell 24
Davis Eula Mae Cain 25
Davis Nora M. 26
Etheridge Janice Gower 27
Flanigan Perth May 28
Flanigan Idean Buice 29
Forrester Julia 30
Forrester Susie Burel 31
Fowler Johnie Phillips 32
Gower Inzie Stancil 33
Gower Jewel Burel 34
Gower Mary Nell Smith 35
Gower May Everett 36
Green Lillie Patrick 37
Haynie Vesta Roebuck 38
Hays Geraldine Clark 39
Higgins Newell Roebuck 40

Holman Alice Smith 1
Holman Carra Burel 2
Holman Dessie 3
Holman Flora Patrick 4
Holman Louise Clour 5
Holman Millie 6
Kerlin Ora Puckett 7
Lawson Ida 8
Maddox Barbara Dewberry 9
Maddox Ella 10
Maddox Elsie Cleghorn 11
Maddox Hester Roberts 12
Maddox Hazle Holland 13
Maddox Rudean Cooper 14
Mathis Hellen Tugle 15
Mauldin Elizabeth Phillips 16
Mauldin Gwindola Maddox 17
Mauldin Lena Graham 18
Mauldin Missouri Duncan 19
McCorly Katherine Moore 20
Moore Beatrice Phillips 21
Moore Eula Daniel 22
Mullennix Coy Lee Munday 23
Munday May Holman 24
Nance Gladys Waycaster 25
Nicholson Runett Munday 26
Noel Lucy Forrester 27
Odum Hazel Burel 28
Patrick Annie Lee Landers 29
Patrick Louester Harrison 30
Patrick Magoline Landers 31
Phillips Esther Mauldin 32
Phillips Mavis Holman 33
Phillips Patrica Gower 34
Phillips Ruby Dean Frachiseur 35
Phillips Selma 36
Portor Montrilla Brown 37
Portor Nellie Puckett 38
Puckett Grace Burel 39
Rary Ann Stroup 40
Reese Ouida Cain 41
Roebuck Flora Cain 42

Roebuck Ida Bell Patrick 43
Sherfield Emily Holman 44
Sloan Aritha Burel 45
Sloan Sarah L. 46
Smith Birdie Mae Phillips 47
~~Stancil Annie Bell Breedlove 48~~
Summerlin Robie Dean Wood 49
Tuggle Annie Crane 50
Tuggle Carrie Crane 51
Wells Geneva Patrick 52
White Ruth Burel 53
Williams Lydia Mauldin 54
Wood Rosy Holman 55

Male Members -- 1965

Boggs Bill ✓
Boggs Jim ✓
Boggs Ross ✓
Brooks John H. ✓
Brown Everest ✓
Burel Alvin Burton, Jr. ✓
Burel Alvin ✓
Burel Bob ✓
Burel J. Calvin ✓
Burel Melvin W. ✓
Burel Ross ✓
Burel Tom ✓
Burel Troy ✓
Burel William C. (Billy) ✓
Cain Carl M. ✓
Cain Robert ✓
Cleghorn Byron ✓
Cohran Johnie ✓
Crane F. John ✓
Cronic Clifford ✓
Cronic Grady ✓
Cronic Rheubin ✓
Davis Venson ✓
Davis Warren ✓

Duncan Bonnie
Etheridge Cline
Etheridge Donnis
Flanigan Erskin
Forrester Cleve
Forrester Emory
Forrester Zack
Gower Charlie
Gower Grover ✓
Gower Herman
Gower Louie
Gower Thomas
Gower Victor
Haynie Jerry
Haynie M. Ray
Hays Hollis
Hays J. Andrew
Hays Omer
Hays Talmadge
Holman Alvin
Holman Claude
Holman Edgar
Holman Herman
Holman James Claude
Holman Millard
Holman Silvey
Holman Troy Lee
Holman W. Spencer
Holman William
Kimbrow Frank ✓
Maddox Clyde
Maddox Grover D. (Jack)
Maddox Holland
Maddox Hoyt ✓
Maddox Horrace
Maddox Lester (Buck)
Mauldin Bliss ✓
Mauldin E. Ray ✓
Mauldin Frank J. ✓
Munday Curtis ✓
Owens Ronnie ✓
Patrick Albert ✓
Patrick Allen ✓

Patrick Perry Lee ✓
Patrick Ray
Phillips Willie Ray (Billie)
Phillips James
Phillips Travis
Portor Eugene
Portor Russel
Rape Roscoe
Rary Rev Charles V.
Roebuck Clay
Stancil Dorsey
Stancil Gladston
Stancil Herman N. ✓
Stancil Jasper ✓
Stancil Samuel W. ✓
Stancil Wayne ✓
Thornhill Rayford
White Washie
Williams Thurman
Wood Ernest
Wood William E. .

Duncan's Creek Church, membership roll was revised in April, 1965, by; Donnis Etheridge, church clerk, Calvin Burel, Herman Gower, Janice Etheridge, Bonnie Lee Cleghorn and Eunice M. Burel. There were eighty-eight, male members and ninety-five, female members, a total of one-hundred and eighty-three.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

This information, pertaining to the History of Duncan's Creek Congregational Christian Church, has been obtained by careful research.

From the secretary books of Duncan's Creek Church.

Programs of different conferences of the church.

Names and dates of deaths, on monuments in the church cemetery.

A book on "Churches of Gwinnett County," Written by Mr. James C. Flanigan, former Gwinnett County, Historian, the book written in 1911. And other books written by Mr. Flanigan, on later dates.

Much of the information was obtained by interviewing many of the oldest members of the church, and friends of the church who have resided in the church community since childhood.

Names of people interviewed:

Mrs. Missouri D. Mauldin, oldest living member of Duncan's Creek Church, age 90.
Mrs. Evie Pool Mauldin, daughter of Mr. C. B. Pool, and long life resident in the Church community, age 87.
Mrs. Alice Holman, a member of Duncan's Creek, age 88, in May.
Mrs. Susie B. Forrester, member, age 83.
Mr. Tom Burel, member, age 83.

Mrs. Linie B. Dalton, member, and daughter of Mr. W. H. Braswell, contractor of church built in 1889, age 82.
Mr. Zack Forrester, son of Reverend J. C. Forrester, age 87.
Mrs. Lucy F. Nowel, daughter of Reverend J. C. Forrester.
Mrs. Carrie C. Tuggle, member, age 80.
Mrs. Annie C. Tuggle, member, age 79.
Mr. Spencer Holman, member, age 77.
Mr. Domino Davis, former member, age 77.
Mr. Melvin Burel, member, age 76.
Mrs. Lula H. Burel, member.
Mrs. Flora C. Roebuck, member.

Mr. Harvey Burel, long life resident of church community, information obtained in 1955---1956, deceased 1960, age 105.

The ministerial list of names from 1855, until 1955, was varified in 1955, by Mr. James C. Flanigan, Gwinnett County Historian, he is deceased, of 1956.

To those who have helped me in any way toward obtaining this information, I offer my gratitude and appreciation.

Mrs. Eunice M. Burel
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