

1936 - 1937

On April 19th, 1936, the old Teoc Church which had stood for more than eighty years was destroyed by fire. Practically all furnishings were saved, but then we were faced with the problem of rebuilding the church.

So without much delay a congregational meeting was held on the old Church ground. Rebuilding was discussed and committees appointed to plan the task which confronted us. The Building Committee appointed was composed of the following men: J. H. Williford, S. L. Ball, J. P. McCain, A. H. Meeks and Andrew Montgomery.

On the Funance Committee were: Mrs. H. L. Long, Mrs. A. H. Meeks, Mrs. S. L. Ball, Mrs. E. Z. White and James Long, and practically all members who could solicit funds for the building.

The plan for the Church was almost the same as for the old building, except that two Sunday School class rooms were added.

All rough material for the foundation was donated by J. H. Williford and J. M. Long. All the other material was furnished and the building done by the Delta Lumber Company, leaving the amount of \$1,000.00, and this was paid mostly by personal donations from members of the Teoc and other churches. A liberal donation was made by Presbyterial of Central Mississippi, and a nice sum was furnished by the Home Mission Committee of the Presbytery.

The building was finished about August the first. During the time we were without a church home, our Pastor, Rev. R. S. Harris, preached at the Community House. On October the first, we held services in the new church. At this time, our Pastor resigned, and on the third Sunday of October, his resignation was regretfully accepted and he was released from the Teoc Church. He is now living in Memphis, Tennessee.

During the year one new member was received into the Church, six members were dismissed to other churches, two were removed by death.



On January 29th, J. H. Williford, one of our oldest and most useful members passed away. He had been a member of Teoc Church for the greater part of his life, and served us as an Elder for eighteen years.

Two children were baptized during the year.

The Church is now without a Pastor, and has only two Elders. We are hoping soon to have a Pastor.

/s/ Mrs. J. D. Hughes, Historian

