

Brookhaven Christian Church

On Mother's Day, 1940, The Brookhaven Christian Church was organized as the first new church in the North DeKalb area for many years. It began with nineteen charter members who elected Mr. J. L. Sickers chairman of the official board. In August of 1948, The Brookhaven Christian Church called as its first minister, the Rev. A. Goff Bedford who bought a home in Brookhaven and settled down to work. At the end of the first year the Christian Church membership had grown to 49. In January, 1950 Peachtree Christian Church withdrew its financial support and the Brookhaven Church reorganized to continue on its own resources. At this time the church had 64 members. Leroy Rogers, a member of various Christian churches for fifty years, became chairman of the board. At the end of its second year, Brookhaven reported 30 members. In the spring of 1951 Mr. H. C. Garrard became Chairman of the Board. By the end of the third year of live Brookhaven reported about 104 members.

From the very beginning the church conducted an active young people's society. Each summer numbers of her young people attended camp, and were active in the city wide youth programs of the Christian Church. In the fall of 1940 a woman's council was organized with Mrs. Donoho as first president. Mrs. Cora Clark, Mrs. Ralph Beach and once again Mrs. Cora Clark have held the presidency of this organization. In 1950 a second circle, meeting in the evenings was organized. Mrs. Kenneth Little is president of this group. In the fall of 1949 a men's club was organized with Mrs. Bill Edge as president. Bill Latter resigned to accept the pastorate of the Red Oak Christian Church. Mr. Henry Hill is the present president.

The Brookhaven Christian Church remains today an organization dedicated to liberal Christianity, earnestly seeking to be of service to its members and the communities in which it works.

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On Feb. 13, the church's annual coffee and fashion show will be held beginning 10 a.m. in the Social Hall. The fashions will be from Elegance, Ltd., Sally Ivy's Shop. She will provide the commentary. Coffee and cake will be served and a nursery will be operating. Cost is \$1.25 per person. Models will be members of the church.

Group III will meet on Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m.

On March 18, church women are asked to bring baked cookies to the church so that they may be delivered to the U.S.O that day.

The annual bridge luncheon will be held on April 17.

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