

- We are pleased to hear of the ordination of John Boyd, Windsor, at the Windsor United Baptist Church, September 10, 1974. John graduated from Acadia Divinity College last Spring, and is Minister of the Mahone Bay United Baptist Church.

- Under the leadership of the Rev. Allan Jorgensen, the Brookfield United Baptist Church is building a major extension to their church. Construction is well under way with the help of many of the congregation.

- Dr. T.B. McDormand, Minister Emeritus of First Baptist Church, Amherst, and the immediate past President of the Baptist Federation of Canada, has just published another book entitled Unforgettable Encounters. It provides very worthwhile reading.

- We are glad to hear that the Rev. Dr. Charles Taylor, Professor of Clinical Training, Acadia Divinity College, has been elected President of the Institute of Pastoral Training.

- Dr. Dale Moody, the speaker for the Spring General Meeting at Bridgewater, was the preacher for the 165th. Anniversary Services held at First Baptist, Amherst. His ministry was well received and appreciated.

- We commend the Sydney United Baptist Church for its publication A Plea To The Churches of the United Baptist Convention of the Atlantic Provinces. This pamphlet was distributed to the delegates at this year's Convention.

- The ABF held an Executive Meeting at First Baptist Church, Truro, September 26. The President, Mr. Edward Colquhoun, chaired the meeting and plans were made for the Fall General Meeting.

ATLANTIC BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP

November, 1974

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FALL GENERAL MEETING

The Fall General Meeting of the A.B.F. will be held in Amherst, N.S. at the First Baptist Church. Sessions will begin Friday evening and continue Saturday morning and afternoon, November 22 - 23, 1974.

The programme Friday will start at 7:30 p.m. with Registration, and begin Saturday at 9:00 a.m., and conclude at 4:00 p.m. All meetings are open to anyone who is interested. Each congregation is urged to have a good representation.

Those attending are invited to stay at the homes of members of First Baptist, Amherst. Others who would prefer to stay at a hotel or motel can have reservations made through the church.

The Registration Form is found in this Leaflet. Please send so it arrives by the 20th. to:

Atlantic Baptist Fellowship,
P.O. Box 295,
AMHERST, N. S.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, AMHERST, N.S.

First Baptist, Amherst is found at the centre of the Town, on Victoria St., next to the Post Office. A parking lot is found at the rear of the building.

Amherst, N. S.

REGISTRATION FORM

NOVEMBER 22 AND 23, 1974

NAME:
 ADDRESS:
 CHURCH:
 PHONE:

Do you wish: } a home billet
 } a hotel/motel reservation
 } making your own arrangements
 } (other)

by } automobile
 } train
 } bus
 (time) }
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A MESSAGE FROM THE
PRESIDENT

Amherst, N. S.

On October 14, 1974, a group of Baptist lay persons and clergy concerned about issues raised at the 1971 Convention formed the Atlantic Baptist Fellowship. We felt that Baptists had drifted far from our original strengths as a denomination, the autonomy of the local church and the soul liberty of believers being only two.

Three years later we have again confronted the same issues at Convention, with dismal results. Our Fellowship has been determined to maintain both integrity and unity within the Convention. Some of our number feel now that this is an impossible task.

Somewhere between the righteous anger of Jesus and His love may be the solution to our dilemma. I am grateful that I do not find myself alone in seeking a solution.

Ed Colquhoun
November 1974

DR. M. R. CHERRY

The Rev. Dr. M. R. Cherry is the popular Professor of Systematic Theology, Associate Dean and former Principal of Acadia Divinity College.

Dr. Cherry will speak twice on the theme "FREEDOM" Saturday, during the Sessions of the A.B.F. General Meeting. Everyone is encouraged not to miss these opportunities. One of the highlights of these meetings has been the addresses given.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS FOR
THE AMHERST MEETING

Some of the expected items of business at the Amherst Meeting include:

- the two Notices of Motion to amend the Constitution of Convention.
- the proposal to engage executive staff for the A.B.F.
- examination of the disposition of the A.B.F. budget, with consideration of possible projects.

ATLANTIC ECUMENICAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE

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Wolfville

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Rev. Dr. M.R.B. Lovesey, Wolfville

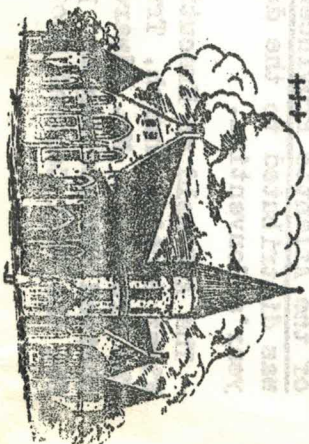
Miss Pauline MacDonald, Halifax

Rev. P.M. McDonald, Dartmouth

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AMHERST
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A NOTE ON FIRST BAPTIST, AMHERST

First Baptist, Amherst was established in 1809 with the help of the Rev. Joseph Crandall, although the seeds had been planted by Henry Alline when he preached in the area in 1781-2.

The first regular minister was the Rev. Charles Tupper, and associated with him was the Rev. Samuel McCully. Both of these men had sons who were fathers of Confederation.

There have been three church buildings constructed on the same site: 1819, 1863 and 1895 (the present building). In each case, the congregation outgrew the size of the building they were occupying.

It has been the home church of Dr. George Cutten (Pres. of Acadia), N.A. Rhodes (Rhodes Hall of Acadia), E.N. Rhodes (Premier of Nova Scotia) Norman Rodgers, Layton Ralston (Members of World War II Cabinet).

The last Sunday in October, the congregation celebrated its 165th anniversary. Dr. Dale Moody preached during the services. Neptune Theatre presented two performances of Godspell later in the week. Present Ministers Dr. R.S. Dunn, Rev. Roger Prentice, Dr. T.B. McDormand (Emeritus).

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ED COLQUHOUN

Our new President, Edward A. Colquhoun, is a deacon of First Baptist, Amherst. He was born in Yarmouth and graduated from High School there. Ed studied Education and Theology at Acadia, and served as student minister in Cumberland and Kings Counties, N. S. Now a vice-principal of A.R.H.S., he and his wife Susan have one child, Scott.
