

Haynes Creek Primitive Baptist Church - Established 1826

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. Psalms 116:15

I want to thank all of you for your support of prayers, donations and work you have given over the years. God has truly blessed it, of which I am very thankful.

There has been much accomplished in the cemetery, one I am especially thankful for is the newest project; a memorial stone with names of 106 people buried in unmarked graves. Much thanks to Jim Coker, Chloe Rutledge, Janice Rutledge and Kristy McCullers for the work they put into securing the names. Of course, we don't have all the names, but thankful for what we have. The stone is now placed in front of Section #1. At least now these folks have a memorial stone with their name and dates on it. Some we only had partial names and dates. Be sure to take a look at it.

Off and on this year I have stated to the committee my desire to step down from Chairmanship. At our July meeting I appointed a nominating committee to seek out a Chairman to take my place after 20 years of doing it. I do want to say that I have enjoyed doing this job and received many blessings along the way. It has been a real joy getting to know many of you, pray for you as loved ones passed, etc., God has helped us do some things very few cemeteries have done and that is surveying and putting names of folks buried in each grave site and doing the GPR work to determine where people are buried in unmarked graves, and putting info board up for people to search out a burial and be able to find it fairly easy, plus other projects.

Now is time for someone else to lead the group and Adam Webb has accepted upon approval from the committee of which they did approve his calling in September. Adam is planning to take leadership in January of 2020.

Adam is one of our newer members of the committee He is the GGGGG Grandson of Austin and Ailsev Webb who donated the land for the first church here. Adam is a great choice and I am so thankful he is willing to lead the work going forward. To tell you some things about him: he grew up in the Snellville area and now lives within 1.5 miles of the Cemetery. Adam graduated from Brookwood High School. He is a UGA Graduate with a Bachelor's in History. He got his Master's Degree at The University of West Georgia in teaching. Of course Adam has

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November 2019 By Larry Rutledge A Newsletter from the Haynes Creek Cemetery Committee – Founded 1947

> many ancestors buried in the cemetery and I personally want to congratulate him for becoming Chairman of the Haynes Creek Cemetery Committee. Please give Adam your support by praying for him and the committee, because we cannot do anything without the LORD's help.

PROJECTS TO BE COMPLETED

We need to update our plat to reflect addition of unmarked graves found by the GPR work and some minor additions and changes we have done in the last few years.

UNUSED GRAVE SITES

If your family has spaces you are sure your family will never use, please consider donating them back to the committee and it can sell them and put the money into the treasury to help ongoing improvements and maintenance of the cemetery. I can assure you that all of the money goes into the cemetery work.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Founded in 1947-All Voluntary I am so thankful for the committee and the work they have done over the years since the formation of it. Evelyn Elliott

Chris Rutledge- Management of Grave Placement and Sales

770-861-2528 Tracy Moon Chloe Rutledge, Vice Chairman 770-922-1589 Larry Rutledge-Chairman 770-972-2008 Janice Rutledge-Secretary 770-972-2008 Tony Wood Dwight McCart Jim Coker-770-366-5945 Dey Smith Greg Smith Rickey Brooks Treasurer - 770-466-4443 **Bobby Basford** Adam Webb-New Chairman 2020. 770-713-6220 Terry Chaffin Nan Wilson, Honorary Member

Evelyn Elliott is our longest serving committee member living today. Because of health issues she has resigned from the committee after serving for 37 years. Her mom and dad were members of Haynes Creek Church. Evelyn once served as our treasurer for many years and did a great job. Whenever she took an assignment, she did it very well and quickly. She has been a very faithful loyal member and we are going to miss her very much. Thank you Evelyn, for a job done well.

WEB SITE

I am so thankful for Scott Thomas and his work on developing and maintaining the website and his ongoing payment to keep it on line. In order to pull it up, go to www.haynescreekcemetery.com. From that you can look up everyone buried there and where. You can go through the plat section and see where they are buried. By using your cell phone

you can expand the plat to make it more visible and readable. On the site also you can see announcements, etc. Thank you, Scott.

<u>COPING</u>

As we have stated many times before; if you own a gravesite we ask you to put coping around it to let us know of your ownership. Because of our limited records of ownership this may be the only way of knowing it belongs to someone. We have determined now throughout the cemetery gravesites available for sale and this coping will help us know what is available.

E-MAIL LIST

In order to save funds we would like the option to possibly notify you by e-mail. Please send your addresses e-mail to larry rutledge@bellsouth.net. Please talk to your family and encourage them to get on the mailing list. We only send one newsletter and one invitation to the memorial service each year and we do not share it with anyone else. Getting the word out is important to our families and gives each one a reminder of the improvements completed and the ones needing to be completed. Remember the mailing list is important to help in receiving funds to maintain the history and beauty of the cemetery.

BEFORE YOU DIG

You must notify Chris Rutledge, 770-861-2528 before you allow anyone to dig a grave. This way we can better manage the cemetery and helps us to know who is buried and where for our records. Also notify the funeral home that they must take the excess dirt with them because we have no place on the property to put it. In fact it is so important that if they leave excess dirt they will be charged \$1000.00 per incident. So please notify your funeral home of this.

WORK DAYS

We have two workdays each year and they are the 3rd Saturday in April and the Saturday before Thanksgiving at 10:00 a.m. We are usually finished by 1 p.m. We basically tidy up the cemetery, throw away old faded flowers, straighten up vases, etc., and anything else that may come up needing to be done. We hope you can come on out and help; it will be enjoyable working and fellowshipping with others.

CLEANING POLICY

We as a committee normally do not work inside a family plot but we will do away with old looking flowers, etc. We ask you to please keep your flowers changed out before we have to do it.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Our 14th annual memorial service was very good. We had a good group of folks there and had several displays of old photos and information. It was a good time of getting together with old friends and meeting new ones. The Lenora Quartet brought the beautiful music. Adam Webb delivered the wonderful devotion and we opened the meeting to the attendees for stories of their which family of several participated. It was a wonderful service and I am thankful to the committee for hosting it.

Our next service will be announced later.

BURIALS SINCE OUR LAST **NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER** 2018

Patsy McCart Fowler, Sec. 4-352. Died 11-15-2018.

David Randall Pierce, Sec. 2-132, Died 12-6-2018.

Kathryn D. Still, Sec 3-301, Died 12-6-2018.

(D.L.) Domino Lee Claborn, Sec. 4-300, Died 12-18-2018.

Taylor (Buck) Ledford, Sec. 3-

851 & 852, Died 12-30-2018. Hal Dupree, Sec. 4-371A, Died 1-19-2019.

Meredith Lea Jones, Sec. 4-368, Died 2-2-2019.

Euthemia Greene Juhan, Sec. 3-361, Died 3-24-2019.

We offer condolences and prayers for the families of these loved one.

KEEPING THEIR MEMORIES ALIVE

Please send us info on your loved ones buried here. Stories of these are very interesting as we remember their lives. You can honor them so much by giving us the info that we can keep on file and maybe use in the future in newsletters, memorial services and who knows we might someday have tours of the cemetery and tell stories of individuals buried here. Send to Webb's website, Adam adamhokewebb@outlook.com or mail to 622 Stonecrest Drive, Loganville, GA 30052.

MESSAGE FROM ADAM WEBB, NEW CHAIRMAN AS OF JANUARY 2020 It is a privilege to have been

elected by the Haynes Creek Cemetery Committee to serve as chairman beginning in January of 2020. First, I want to thank Larry and Janice Rutledge for their previous work in this role. Larry has led our committee well as chairman and has served with both passion and humility. I hope to continue the great work he has done during his years as committee chairman. Next. I wanted to introduce myself to vou. I am a Gwinnett County native and live in Loganville, GA. Adrienne and I have been married since 2006 and we have three children ages nine, six and two. I teach Georgia Studies in the Gwinnett County School System and serve as an Associate Pastor at Redeeming Grace Community Church in Loganville.

Finally, I want you to know that I am so honored to serve as the chairman of the cemetery committee. I am excited to continue the important work that this cemetery committee does. I have several ancestors buried in the cemetery. The work of historic preservation and upkeep is important for remembering and honoring the past. As a history teacher. I often tell my students that we learn from the past in order to make the best decisions for the future. There is so much to be learned from those who are buried at Haynes Creek cemetery and their stories can have а

profound impact on our lives today. The work before us is greatly impacted by those who

pray, give and serve. I would

implore of you to consider being involved in the work at Haynes Creek Cemetery. I believe your hearts would be filled in doing so. It is my prayer that the Lord continues to bless the work of our cemetery committee and we keep in mind the stories of the past as we look forward to all that is in store.

THANK YOU

You have been so good to donate to the Cemetery Fund and we appreciate it very much. Because of God's help and your donations the cemetery is a very beautiful peaceful place to visit. People can more easily find a grave. The funds have helped honor many we didn't know were buried there, helped find graves with no marker, clean the woods behind the church where we have been told Slaves and Indians are buried. They have also helped in placing unknown markers on newly found gravesites. Your donations help keep the maintenance up to date; so we thank you very much.

Your donations are tax free. Mail to: Haynes Creek Cemetery Committee, P O Box 1582, Loganville, GA 30052.

May God continue to richly bless each of you. Please pray for God's leadership and help as we continue to honor and uphold the memories of our loved ones that have gone before us.

MAY GOD CONTINUE TO RICHLY BLESS EACH OF YOU. PLEASE PRAY FOR GOD'S LEADERSHIPAND HELP AS