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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am McKinley Jones, Pastor of the present Union Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church. I am writing you in regards to the old Union Hill Church. I can recall as far back as 1911. I can go this far back because of information that I have learned.

In 1922, the pastor was Henry Johnson. He performed the wedding ceremony for my parents. This Church served as a Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the school for the surrounding area. The only grade school that I have attended was in this Church. We lived approximately three miles across Indian Creek from the Church. We had to walk to school. We had no means of transportation. There was a bridge across this creek. The only way to cross was on a foot log. If it began to rain real heavy, all of the students on the opposite side of the creek, would have to go home before the creek would rise.

We had one teacher, Mrs. Lucy Humphrey, teaching from first thru ninth grade. In 1937, the work load was so heavy that she was given another teacher to help her. Her name was Mrs. Patton. We attended Sunday School and Church services on Sunday and attended school there during the week.

In 1941, the Government acquired all of the property in that area and the Churches were moved out. Union Hill's congregation split. Some of the member went to St. Elizabeth in Madison and other members that lived in the Huntsville area in 1947, organized the present Union Hill, located on Nevels Drive, where I am Pastor now.

YOURS IN CHRIST,

Rev. McKinley Jones, Pastor