









Brief History of the Baptist Church in the Food Settlement, W. E. Powers.

The first designation of W. E. Powers, the first and only pastor of the Food Settlement, was made in 1860, when he was called to the Food Settlement, W. E. Powers.

The Ohio Bottom, from the falls of that stream to the mouth of Salt River, a distance of 20 miles, is from three to six miles wide the greater portion of its length.

At an early period a few permanent settlers came to the Ohio Bottom, and the greater portion of this beautiful and fertile tract of land is situated.

The meeting was continued several days longer and fifteen more added to the church, besides by baptism. Mr. Powers was instrumental in procuring a school for the children of the settlement.

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As in most other places in Kentucky, the Baptists were the pioneers of the gospel in the Food Settlement. As early as 1790, a small Baptist church was organized in the Food Settlement, W. E. Powers.

The case of the church's withdrawal from the settlement appears to have been suggested by the latter's tolerating slavery—subject that greatly agitated the churches in Kentucky at that period.

The next attempt to establish a Baptist church in the Food Settlement was made by one Melvin, an adventurer who came to Kentucky and made some reputation as a "smart preacher". He was employed as a missionary in the bounds of Long Run Association.

In April, 1860, Walter E. Powers, who had been ordained to the ministry the previous year, visited the Food Settlement, as missionary of Long Run Association, and preached at the residence of William Kennedy, whose wife was a Baptist.

In the meeting. At the appointed time he went to the little meeting-house, twelve miles below Louisville. His first sermon, to his congregation, was a powerful one, and he commended the meeting as a success.

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When Mr. Powers first visited the Food Settlement, in April, 1860, there was no Baptist church in the settlement, and no country lying between Louisville and Salt River, embracing a tract of country about twenty miles square.

GLASS'S SULTON SOAP CO. has the honor to announce that they have just received a large quantity of their new and improved Soap, which is superior to any other soap in the market.

Dr. Allen's Reception at Lexington. The following is the programme of the services rendered to Dr. J. G. Henson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky., on Sunday night, Jan. 16th.

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I resolve you my book for \$2.50, renewal for \$1.00. While I think I am a poor man, I cannot yet do without the Bible, that I may be able to read the scriptures, that they may bring tidings from dear friends and dear past years.

Yours in the faith, W. T. HERRICK. His servant, Mr. Jas. 1884. [Have long wanted to visit the General Association of Missouri, and will be with you in Marshall, if the Lord will.—Rev. Geo.]

him up with regret, and that the day will never open when his labors or his talents will lack for appreciation in our midst. It is not known as yet how long he will stay in our midst.

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Bro. W. D. Powell is securing good pledges and donations from the Ladies churches for his mission school in Mexico.

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