

COUNTDOWN TO 1ST PRESBYTERIAN'S BICENTENNIAL

Did you know that First Presbyterian Church will begin celebration of her 200th birthday in June 2011? The fly leaf of the first record book of the congregation states, "Rev. Robert Henderson settled among us and Commenced his labours June first 1811." In April 1812, the Murfree Spring Presbyterian Church was organized and received its charter—later to become known as First Presbyterian Church of Murfreesboro, TN – one of the oldest congregations in Rutherford County.

To prepare for our year-long Bicentennial Celebration (June 2011 – April 2012), the central committee members, John Hinkle, Susan Daniel, Kim Johnson, Libby McKay, Sandra and Jerry Hawkins, have begun making plans. We want everyone to join in the excitement of this once in a lifetime experience. There will be sign-ups for the many committees, events and activities.

Susan Daniel and Libby McKay are working on plans to tell the history of our church. We think that one way to tell our history is to set up a "virtual museum" on the church's web site which could be an ideal way to share pictures and documents of interest that may be among our congregation's personal collections. We have asked Susan Steen to help us with setting up our "virtual museum" on 1st Presbyterian's web site [www.mborofpc.org]. We could take digital pictures of any items our congregation might want to share, and then place the picture of the item on the web site for all to see and enjoy. We would like to get started with our "museum," so if you have pictures, documents or items you would like to share, let us know, and we will work with you to obtain digital copies.

Watch for coming announcements and information of other Bicentennial celebration ideas.

Sandra & Jerry Hawkins
Bicentennial Chairmen