



Celebrating the Life
of
Mary Bess Coleman

November 1, 1897 – July 5, 2002

Service of Divine Worship

A Memorial Celebration

For

Miss Mary Bess Coleman

JULY 21, 2002

SUNDAY

THREE O'CLOCK

The Prelude

“Oh Jesus, I Have Promised”

Mrs. Peggy Matthews

Scripture Verses

The Greeting

The Invocation

Rev. Workman

“Simple Gifts”

“Jesus Loves Me”

Sarah, Daniel and Will Osborne

Guy and Scott Smith

Psalm 23

Minister and Congregation

Psalm 121

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Alan, Christopher, Ashlea and Emily Ross

New Testament Readings

Selected Passages

A Time of Remembrance and Thanks

Family and friends are invited to share their memories of Mary Bess

The Memorial Meditation

Rev. Workman

AUNT MARY BESS
(Through the eyes of a child.)

She is a special person.
I think she is over eighty,
but I like to go to her house.
If she happens to be snapping beans,
or working in her garden,
I help her with her work.
She wants to know about my family.
I want to hear stories about the white house,
and blow the horn made from a conch shell.
It was brought from Charleston by her great uncle,
a soldier in the Civil War.
Sometimes she opens an old trunk
and shows me a china doll
or funny button-up shoes
and tiny wire-rimmed spectacles.
In the summer we sit on the big front porch
and play Chinese checkers,
or rock and have a glass of lemonade.
Dear God, I am glad that she is my friend
and that we care about each other.

By Patricia F. Ross
for Pockets, Spring 1984

"Standing on the Promises"

*Hymn 374

Congregation

*The Benediction

*The Postlude

"Hymn of Promise"

Mrs. Matthews

(*Congregation standing)

The family will receive friends
following the service in the Fellowship Hall.

Mary Bess is survived by nieces and nephews:

Frances S. Epps

Kathleen S. Matthews

Betty R. Dickson

Guy Ross

Nancy Jo Smith

Coleman Ross

Twenty-four great nieces and nephews
Fifty-five great-great nieces and nephews
Sixteen great-great-grand nieces and nephews

Miss Coleman and the family chose the following memorials:

Pleasant Garden United Methodist Church

P.O. Box 188

Pleasant Garden, NC 27313

Salem Presbyterian Church

Blair, SC 29015

The Mary Bess Coleman Scholarship

Winthrop University

126 Tillman Hall, Rock Hill, SC 29733

The Coleman-Feaster-Mobley Family Association

105 Rollingwood Drive

Lexington, SC 29072