

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION
of the Session
Newton Presbyterian Church
in memory of
Ruling Elder Ernest Clyde Holladay

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay was born on November 3, 1914 to his parents, William Waldo Holladay and Sarah Henry Holladay; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay was a faithful husband of forty-seven years to Lula Alice Wilson whom he married on October 22, 1938 and cherished until the time of her death on December 30, 1985; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay & Lula Alice Holladay were the loving parents of three children, Carol, Bruce and Alvan Holladay; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay served in the U. S. Army, Company C, 4th Engineering Combat Battalion from August 20, 1943 until his honorable discharge November 9, 1945, and as a T-5 Demolition Expert was among the first men to land on the Beaches of Normandy on June 6, 1944, and for his distinguished service was awarded the Victory Ribbon, five Bronze Service Stars, a Bronze Arrowhead, the Distinguished Unit Badge and the Good Conduct Medal; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay, upon profession of faith, and Lula Alice Holladay, by transfer of letter from the Garlandville Presbyterian Church, became members of the Newton Presbyterian Church, Newton, Mississippi on December 13, 1953; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay was ordained to the office of Deacon on February 26, 1956 and served faithfully until his election to the office of Ruling Elder; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay served faithfully in the office of Sunday School Superintendent from September 16, 1959 until October 1972; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay was ordained in the office of Ruling Elder on March 1, 1964 and served faithfully until the time of his death; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay, after his retirement from the Masonite Corporation, taught the Men's Sunday School Class from June 14, 1981 until 1994; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay served as Clerk of Session from 1986 until 1998; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay was a faithful husband to Thelma Blackburn Holladay whom he married on September 19, 1988 and a loving father to her children until the time of his death; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay was a kind and gentle grandfather to his three Grandchildren and four Great Grandchildren; and,

WHEREAS, Ernest Clyde Holladay, throughout his Christian life, exhibited the marks of an humble and devoted servant of His Lord Jesus Christ; and,

WHEREAS, our God, in His infinite and gracious wisdom, on the Seventh day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand, Five, did remove from our midst, to His nearer presence, our brother and fellow elder, Ernest Clyde Holladay; and,

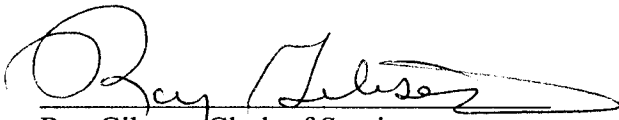
WHEREAS, the body of Ernest Clyde Holladay, being still united to Christ, rests in the Newton County Memorial Gardens Cemetery awaiting the resurrection (Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A37, I Thessalonians 4:14); and,

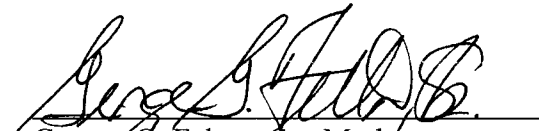
WHEREAS, the death of E. C. Holladay is a grievous loss to the Newton Presbyterian Church and to his family,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Session of the Newton Presbyterian Church of Newton, Mississippi do hereby declare our gratitude for the life and leadership of Ernest Clyde Holladay, our deep sense of bereavement at the death of our beloved brother and fellow elder, and by this resolution also express our profound sympathy with his family in their loss, while, at the same time, taking comfort in the testimony of Scripture that we should be "willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord"(II Corinthians 5:8).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Memorial Resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Session, and communicated to his family and to the Presbytery of Mississippi Valley, on this the Third day of August, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand, Five.

DONE THIS 3rd day of August, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand, Five.


Ray Gibson, Clerk of Session


George G. Felton, Sr., Moderator