

Memorial Resolution
Erskine Lewis Jackson
Mississippi Valley Presbytery
August 6, 2002

WHEREAS, on February 4, 2002, Erskine Lewis Jackson was called home to be with the Lord and occupy the place prepared for him by his gracious heavenly Father, and;

WHEREAS, it is befitting we pause and take note of God's redeeming work in Erskine L. Jackson's life and through his servant-hood, and;

WHEREAS, Erskine L. Jackson was born on August 29, 1902 in Athens, Georgia, and:

WHEREAS, Erskine L. Jackson graduated from Presbyterian College in 1930, and from Columbia Seminary with ten others in 1934, and;

WHEREAS, Erskine L. Jackson served in a Presbyterian Church on the rural circuit in Alabama from 1934-1943, and;

WHEREAS, Erskine L. Jackson was called to First Presbyterian Church in Kosciusko, Mississippi where he served as pastor from 1943 until January 1976, and;

WHEREAS, as the storm clouds of ecclesiastical discord and theological drift gathered and Biblical inerrancy was compromised in the courts of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, Erskine L. Jackson, along with others, fought the good fight and emerged into the fearful exhilaration of a new denomination, The Presbyterian Church in America, as a founding father, and:

WHEREAS, Erskine L. Jackson served when called upon as moderator of synod, presbytery, and this Mississippi Valley Presbytery, three times president of French Camp Academy and a board member of French Camp Academy from 1949 until 1994, and the moderator of the second General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of America held in Macon, Georgia in September 1974, and;

WHEREAS, Erskine L. Jackson faithfully broke the bread of life for his flock, community and the world who listened as their teaching elder, pulpit supply, friend and neighbor with fidelity to the truth, humility and meekness, gentleness and compassion, and;

WHEREAS, Erskine L. Jackson was a faithful husband to Eleanor O. Jackson from 1939 until his death and a loving father and grandfather to his two daughters, Sarah J. Keith and Lane J. Barnett and their families, and;

WHEREAS, by preaching the word of God and living thereby, Erskine L. Jackson was used of God to woo and nourish generations, baptize and catechize their children, marry them and their children, pray over their sick and dying, bury their dead, give them visions of the Church worldwide and fields white unto harvest, he was declared both on earth and in heaven good and faithful servant, and;

WHEREAS, Erskine L. Jackson by God's infinite grace bore the mark of Christ, demonstrated His character, loved His church, grieved for the lost and prayed for His erring sheep.

THEREFORE, it is appropriate that this presbytery adopt this memorial to God's unfailing faithfulness and redeeming love, expressing our love, affection and appreciation for our departed brother and co-laborer, Erskine L. Jackson, until we meet again.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this memorial resolution be spread on the minutes of this meeting of presbytery on the sixth day of August 2002 and that copies be presented to his widow Eleanor Jackson, and his daughters Sarah Keith and Lane Barnett and their families.

RE Lee Atkinson, Moderator
Mississippi Valley Presbytery

TE Roger Collins, Stated Clerk
Mississippi Valley Presbytery

RE Ken Fowler, Clerk of Session
First Presbyterian, Kosciusko