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Born: 15 Apr 1861

Married: 27 Sept 1879 to Dora Ann Howell

Died: 14 Nov 1905 Adel., GA

Parents: Timothy W Stallings & Susan Newton

Charles W. Stallings born April 15, 1861, died 14 November 1905. He married Dora Howell Born 16 October 1860, died 15 Dec 1950. They lived most of their lives in Berrien County (now Cook). Charles and Dora raised six children to adulthood and one died in infancy. Charles and Dora are buried a Concord Primitive Baptist Church in present Cook County. The following is an article about Charles taken from a book titled "Primitive or Old School Baptist Ministers"

Stallings, Elder C. W., of Georgia, was born April 15, 1861, and died November 14, 1905; at eighteen years of age he was married to Miss Dora Howell, and they lived agreeable together until his death. They raised six children--the youngest nine years old at the death of the father. Three daughters united with the church of his membership. One died in infancy. There were four girls and three boys in all. He united with the Methodist church in his eighteenth year, and lived a strict member with them for six years. He joined the Old School or Primitive Baptists at Cat Creek Church, in Lowndes County, Ga., in 1886, and was baptized by his father, Elder T. W. Stallings, and in 1891 he was ordained to the full functions of the gospel ministry by Elders A. V. Simms, W.H. Tomberlin, J. A. O'Steen, and T.W. Stallings, and since that time he spent much of his time in faithfully serving the churches under his care. He was sorely afflicted for fourteen years; and during the last seven years of his life he was carried in a invalid chair, and sat down while preaching. Yet, he continued faithful to the end. Three of the churches he served for eight years, and only missed four conferences during all that time. He was qully as faithful to his family. For two years of the latter part of his life, he was unable to feed himself, but yet he served the Baptists and his family faithfully manifesting the very same love for them and for the cause of Christ, that he ever did. He baptized about 200 members before he became unable to administer that ordinance; and married many people. He assisted in the constitution of six or eight churches, assisted in the ordination of five or six preachers and twelve deacons, ever seeming willing to make any sacrifice for the cause of Christ that was needful on his part, and to prove the life of an honest man. He at one time turned over all he possessed of worldly goods to his debtors, and trusted the Lord for his living, proving that he was seeking God and His kingdom, believing that all needful things would be added to him, which was proven in his case. He surely fought the good fight of faith and died as he had lived -- trusting alone in the merit of a crucified and arisen Saviour.

Article from book, "Primitive or Old School Baptist Ministers"

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## BETHLEHEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

In 1893, under the leadership of Elder McDaniel, the Bethlehem Church was organized in a community about three miles North of Lenox and shortly thereafter, a building was erected. This building was destroyed by fire of incendiary origin in 1898, but was rebuilt in 1900. Then, in 1936, this second building was destroyed by windstorm, but was again rebuilt in 1938.

The record of the organizers of the church cannot be found and it is evident that most, if not all, that participated have since died.

It is believed the list of the pastors serving the church since it's creation, as published below, is practically correct, however, dates of their pastorate is not known, therefore, they may not be listed in chronological order:

Elders	McDaniel	E. R. Willis
	<u>Stallings</u>	Ashley Griffin
	Ancil Tucker	M. D. Tucker
	Hartman	Lewis Vinson
	J. W. McMillan	Charlie Cox
	N. L. Sutton	A. T. Royals
	L. L. Register	

Rev. A. T. Royals is the present Pastor and the present Board of Deacons include; Frank Lynch, Bro. Hill, Bro. Pearce and John Yarborough.

## CONCORD PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Concord Primitive Baptist Church was constituted September 27, 1894 in Berrien, now Cook County, Georgia. The constitution was done in the following manner:

Concord Primitive Baptist Church was constituted by a meeting at Brushy Creek meeting house. Those meeting that made up the Presbytery were as follows Elders, A. V. Simms, I. A. Weatherington, A. A. Knight, M. J. Alderman and R. H Barwick. They appointed Elder A.V. Simms to serve as moderator for Presbytery and Elder R. H. Barwick, Clerk of Presbytery.

On constitution, Concord Church called Elder C. W. Stallings to Pastor the church, and appointed J. M. Hancock, Clerk of the church. Members in the constitution of the church were as follows: Male members were: Charles Rentz, Baten May, Elder C. W. Stallings, J. M. Hancock, B. P. Lovett, I. A. Williams, L. J. Ward, Jourden Webb and Isaac Webb. Female members were: Serrena Rentz, Anjiline May, Dora Stallings, Martha E. Hancock, Mary A. Rutherford, Nancy Baker, Malissa Bawcom, Eliza Lovett, Eliza J. Lovett, Morning Webb, Sarah A. Forte and Sarah Howell. Deacon at constitution was Bro. Charles Rentz.

Church site was donated by Baten May in November of 1894.

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State of Georgia 1890 Property Tax Digest, Lowndes County, GA

NAME OF MILITIA DISTRICT <i>Club House</i>		REAL ESTATE.							President or Shareholder					
No. <i>658</i> DISTRICT		Taxes, (including improvements thereon), Mills, Machinery, Toll Bridges and Ferries.												
GEORGIA MILITIA,		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Post Office <i>Dublin</i>		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
NAMES—(First Name in Full.)		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	ACRES.	DOLLARS.	DOLLARS.	DO
<i>Regis'ter John</i>	/													
<i>Regis'ter John J</i>	/													
<i>Treasurer for Mrs Susan Roberts</i>	/													
<i>Residing William W</i>	/													
<i>Prover Joshua W</i>	/													
<i>Robert Lewis J</i>	/													
<i>Roberts John W</i>	/													
<i>Stallings James W</i>	/													
<i>Stallings Timothy W</i>	/													
<i>Stallings Henry W</i>	/													
<i>Stallings Charles W</i>	/													
<i>Shierling Robert C</i>	/													
<i>Stephens Barney L</i>	/													
<i>Stephens James C</i>	/													
<i>Smith Robert</i>	/													
<i>Shierling John B</i>	/													
<i>Snuggs James C</i>	/													

Charles W Stallings, year 1890, Militia District, Club House, Militia District # 658  
 Total acres of land: 130  
 Value of land: \$300

Above image from online research at: Ancestry.com  
 \*Also lists his father: Timothy W Stallings with 400 acres of land valued at \$400

Record below from the Georgia Archives, County Records on Microfilm, Lowndes County Marriage Book, 1870-1882

Charles W. Stallings & Dora A. Howell  
 In the Name of the State of Georgia according to the Constitution  
 by the said parties of this State and for so doing  
 this shall be a sufficient witness  
 and you are hereby required to return this license to me  
 with your best affidavit under the great and seal of the State  
 Given under my hand and the seal of the County of Lowndes  
 this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September  
 Eighteen Hundred & eighty nine  
 J. B. Stephens Ordway, L.S.  
 Georgia Lowndes County.  
 I do testify that Charles W. Stallings & Dora A.  
 Howell were joined in matrimony by me this 27<sup>th</sup> day  
 October Eighteen Hundred & eighty nine  
 W. L. Martin J.P.

<http://cdm.sos.state.ga.us/cdm4/document.php?CISOROOT=/countyfilm&CISOPTR=123911&REC=1>

Record above states that Charles W Stallings and Dora A Howell were married on 27 September 1879 in Lowndes County, Georgia

Death notice found in the 16 Nov 1905 edition of "The Valdosta Times"

THE VALDOSTA TIMES, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1905

A Prominent and Much Loved Primitive Baptist Preacher Gone to His Reward After Long Suffering.

Adel, Ga, Nov., 16—News has reached here of the death of Elder Charlie Stallings, at his home near Lenox. The sad event occurred on Tuesday, after an illness of fever, complicated with other troubles.

The deceased suffered a stroke of paralysis some years ago, and was afterwards an invalid, but this did not prevent him from attending to his ministerial duties, and did not destroy his great faith and trust in the Lord.

Elder Stallings' remains were buried at Concord church, of which he was pastor, on Wednesday. He leaves a wife and several children, who have the sympathy of all the people.



Charles W. Stallings buried in Concord Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery, Adel, GA Picture taken 7/19/08

