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Many Attend Home-Coming at Fincastle
Memorial Service for the Departed Members was Memorable One.

Charles McGaughey Chairman

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The homecoming of former members of the Fincastle Universalist and Christian Churches at Fincastle, and the memorial service for the departed members, held Sunday in the Universalist sanctuary was not only a memorial service but it was, also a memorable one. There were many persons present who could remember much earlier days in the Fincastle community, when conditions were much different from those of the present day, and these older ones (line deleted) the calling of the roll of their former co-workers in the church and community now departed.

The greetings of the day were presented by the Rev. Demetrius Tillotson D.D. of Greencastle, pastor of the community church at Fincastle, who led the congregation in singing "When the Roll is Called up Yonder" followed by the invocation by the Rev. E. L. Day, former resident of the town.

Dr. Tillotson presented Charles McGaughey, of Greencastle, as chairman of the meeting. Mr. McGaughey's mother, Mary Leonard, lived and died in Fincastle, and his grandfather, Michael McGaughey, was a charter member of the church. Mr. McGaughey read the history of the old church, the material for which had been prepared by Miss Bee Cunningham.

There were several particularly touching features of the program. One of these was the reading of sentiment penned on the fly leaf of the old record by the late H. Clay Fosher, a descendant of the earliest settler of the pioneer Blakesburg neighborhood, not far from the site of Fincastle, Mr. Fosher's lines were these:

"In the year 1891, the 20th anniversary of the Fincastle church, we pen the first lines in this book. A great many of the members that were living at the time the first lines were written in the old book have gone to their Eternal Home, and I pause to wonder how many of us will be living when this book will have been filed. (filled?) My prayer is that the record is handed down to the secretaries of the church, of future generations, that the records may show an increasing activity in church work; that our beautiful religious faith has made a wonderful growth and that members have lived together in harmony and love.

One other feature was the bringing of flowers to the pulpit by girls who are descendants of pioneer members in memory of those long gone: A poem by Miss Bee Cunningham was read by Miss Darnell. A quartet sang one number.

The chairman called for brief remarks from former pastors and members. These included the Rev. E. L. Day, Indianapolis, former school teacher at

Fincastle, Rev. H. O. Brattain, Bainbridge, former Pastor; State Senator O. Bruce Lane of Bainbridge, speaking for his father, the late Rev. O. F. Lane former pastor: uncle of the Senator. The greetings of the Roachdale Church were given by the Rev. Wilson, pastor. Responses were given by Mrs. Vancoik formerly Mary McMurtry; Luther Steele, Indianapolis; Lon McGaughey; Raymond and Neal Grider, Indianapolis; and Mrs. Kate Anderson, formerly Miss Welch, Fincastle. There was then the reading of letters and greetings from absent members. Mrs. John B. Williams, Fincastle read verses from "My Dream," the reading of each verse being followed by the congregation singing one stanza each from "At The Cross," and "Jesus Lover of My Soul." The Benediction was by Rev. Wilson, Roachdale.