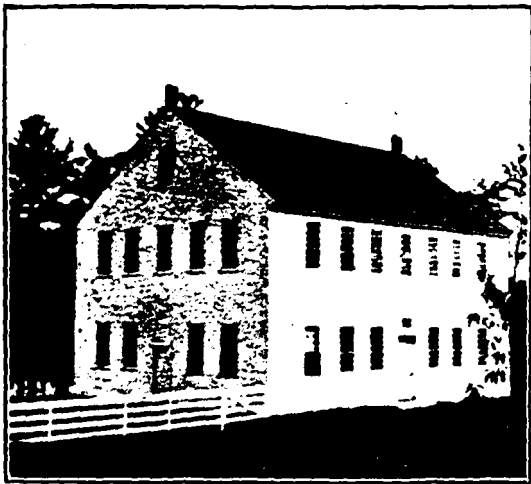


The Westerly Religious Society

In Bosrauen.

The Second Church of Christ

In Bosrauen.



First Meeting House in West Boscawen, now Webster, built by the town in 1791.

Historical Sketch

and

Roll of Membership

of the

First Congregational Church

Webster, New Hampshire

PENACOOK, N. H.
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1908.

The Church Clerk has had many requests for copy from its records. Those of its early years, particularly those pages given to names of members are badly worn and becoming illegible.

To make a complete roll and preserve for the future has been the leading motive in issuing this pamphlet.

In the historical sketch are records and papers never before published: The first meeting of record of the Westerly Religions Society in Boscawen; The first Confession of Faith and Church Covenant; and Rev. Mr. Price's address at the laying of the corner stone of the Meeting House on Corser Hill.

The church roll is the result of much time and labor. Those who have kindly aided in its verification have my sincere thanks.

WILLIAM W. BURBANK, Church Clerk.

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July 13th 1804 - A Meeting adjourned to the

This day - Proceedings relative to hiring
preaching at the Western part of Bourcawen.

Senter
1st Voted Esq. Little Moderator -

2^d Voted to raise \$ 150 - to hire preaching -

3. Voted that E. Benjamin Jackson,
Benjamin Little Esq - & W. Joseph Cook
be Assessors -

4th Voted that Mr. Benjamin Swett
be a Collector -

5th Voted - all present (35 in number)
their willingness to settle the Rev. Mr.
Price - as their Minister -

6th Voted that Mr. Sam. L. Murry,
Mr. Benja. Swett,
Esq. Senter -
Esq. Enoch Little
Mr. Ezekiel Morse } Be a Com-
-mitter, to
lay before the
Rev. Mr. Price
the Proceedings
of this meeting

The Meeting adjourned to the 23rd day of July -
1804 - at one O. Clock afternoon
Oliver Davis, Society's Clerk

The Westerly Religious Society in Boscawen.

From the building of the meeting house in 1791 to 1804 there is no record of organized effort to sustain preaching. The pulpit was pretty constantly supplied by different preachers, but the expense was defrayed mostly by private subscriptions.

The time was past when the *town* would settle a minister: many were desirous of adopting some systematic method of providing for the preaching of the gospel. The result was the organization of the Westerly Religious Society in Boscawen. Its spirit and purpose is well stated in the preamble of its constitution.

“We the subscribers, inhabitants of Boscawen, in the County of Hillsborough and State of New Hampshire, being deeply impressed with the importance of securing to ourselves and posterity religious order and the privileges of the gospel of which we are at present deprived, and sensible that so desirable a blessing cannot be enjoyed in the division of the town where we live, aside from our entering into a social compact, we therefore do agree, and by these presents do voluntarily combine ourselves into a Religious Society for religious purposes, having ultimately in view the settlement of the gospel ministry among us.”

At the adjourned meeting Feb. 23rd the committee reported that Rev. Mr. Price gave some encouragement the people wished to settle him on reasonable terms.

After voting to form a Society the meeting adjourned to the first Monday in March when an organization was effected and adjournment made to the 14th.

At this meeting a constitution was adopted and 85 names attached.

Article 3. Provided that "each member should pay his proportion of all money raised according to the valuation of polls and estate." This method of raising money was continued until 1876 when the assessment was omitted and contributions solicited, and this plan in various forms has been continued until the present time, the society being responsible to make good any deficiency. No assessment has been needed.

At the same meeting it was "voted to make application to the Rev. Mr. Price to serve them as their Minister." And a committee was appointed to confer with him.

The committee were:

Samuel Muzzy,	Benjamin Sweatt,
Ebenezer Senter,	Benjamin Jackman,
Caleb Knight,	Lemuel Fowler,
Silas Call,	Enoch Little,
Joseph Couch,	Daniel Pillsbury,
Oliver Davis,	Ezekiel Morse,

Moses Coffin.

At a meeting of the society June 4, it was voted to settle the Rev. Mr. Price in the gospel ministry in this place, that he may be given \$100. as a settlement, and an annual salary of \$330.

Rev. Mr. Price in his letter accepting the call to the society shows the general expectation of the church soon to be formed, referring to certain business conditions he writes "These being complied with I should view the way clearly opened for me to submit myself when most convenient, to the direction of an ecclesiastical council, here to be installed to the pastoral care of the church, when gathered, and the society now formed."

In 1811 the society was incorporated.

The Second Church of Christ in Boscawen

The Second Congregational Church in Boscawen was organized Sept. 10, 1804, with a membership of nine.

Benjamin Sweatt,	Sarah Sweatt,
Sarah Call,	Edward Gerald,
Thomas Kilborn,	Anna Kilborn,
Paul Clark,	Ezekiel Morse,
Mary Morse.	

At the meeting for organization, Rev. Ethan Smith preached the sermon, and Rev. Dr. Wood offered the consecrating prayer. The first action of the church was in choosing Benjamin Sweatt, Moderator, and then unanimously giving the Rev. Ebenezer Price a call to become their pastor. Mr. Price accepted the call and was installed Sept. 26.

The churches represented in the council were those at Boscawen, Dunbarton, Hopkinton, Salisbury, Tamworth, Henniker and Canterbury. Mr. Price served as pastor until 1837 when at his request he was dismissed and Rev. Edward Buxton installed. In 1875 Mr. Buxton tendered his resignation. It was not accepted but for nearly one year Rev. W. C. Schofield was employed as pulpit supply in connection with his work at Salisbury. Mr. Buxton continued the pastorate until Oct. 4, 1883, when he was dismissed and Rev. Charles E. Gordon was installed.

Mr. Gordon resigned in 1891, and the pulpit was supplied by Rev. B. S. Gilman until 1892 when Rev. T. S. Lewis was installed. Mr. Lewis resigned in 1897.

Rev. N. J. Robinson was acting pastor until Oct. 15, 1899. Jan. 1, 1900, the church extended a call to the present pastor, Rev. J. Henry Bliss.

During Mr. Price's pastorate of 33 years, 263 were added to the church. The largest number received at one time was 44 on May 3, 1835.

During Mr. Buxton's pastorate of 45 years, 170 were added to the church roll.

Mr. Price recorded 197 marriages, 311 baptisms.

Mr. Buxton recorded 152 marriages, 186 baptisms.

The forty-fifth anniversary of Mr. Buxton's installation was observed by the church and a full record was published.

Deacons:

Benjamin Sweatt,	from 1805	to 1810
Eliphlet Kilborn,	“ 1805	“ 1825
Enoch Little,	“ 1811	“ 1831
James Kilborn,	“ 1825	“ 1843
George T. Pillsbury,	“ 1831	“ 1836
Jeremiah Gerrish,	“ 1836	“ 1843
Enoch Little,	“ 1843	“ 1874
Eldad Austin,	“ 1843	“ 1874
Henry Gerrish,	“ 1874	“ 1896
Henry F. Pearson,	“ 1874	“ 1893
William F. Henderson,	“ 1896	“ 1898
Edward A. Little,	“ 1896	“ 1898
Henry H. Gerrish,	“ 1900	
Herbert C. Whitney,	“ 1900	

Church Clerks:

Ebenezer Price,	from 1804	“ 1837
Edward Buxton,	“ 1837	“ 1885
George Little,	“ 1885	“ 1895
William W. Burbank	“ 1895	

The meeting house of 1791 was built by the town.

The separation of church and state led to complications and controversies which resulted in the building of this house in 1823. At a society meeting held May 19 of that year it was voted "to build a meeting house" "that it should stand on Corser Hill" and a committee of 11 were chosen "to select a spot and adopt a plan on which it should be constructed"

The Committee

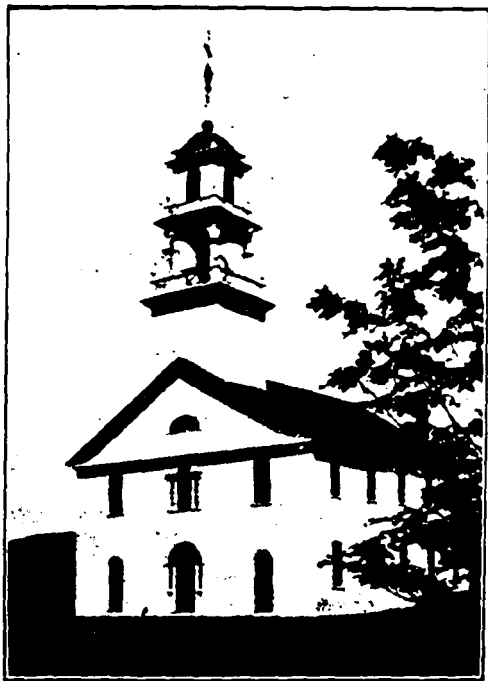
Dea. Enoch Little.
 Capt. John Farmer.
 Capt. Joseph Ames.
 Mr. Benjamin T. Kimball.
 Capt. Joshua C. Plummer.
 Capt. Abraham Burbank.
 Mr. George Pillsbury.
 Mr. Samuel Pillsbury.
 Mr. Thomas Coffin.
 Mr. Rice Courser.
 Mr. John Danforth.

A building committee of four was also chosen.

Building Committee

Mr. James Kilborn.
 Mr. George L. Pillsbury.
 Mr. George T. Kilborn.
 Mr. Daniel Pillsbury.

The corner stone was laid June 27 with appropriate ceremonies.



Congregational Meeting House.
Erected 1823.

Address of Rev. Ebenezer Price at the laying of the Corner Stone.

My Friends of the Westerly Religious Society and all who wish well to the erection of this house.

This world, with all it contains is perishable. The works of both Nature and Art are alike in progress toward dissolution

Of this we are convinced by reverting to the Monuments of antiquity, superb Palaces, renowned cities and to temples consecrated to God, which have been erected at incalculable expense and have excited the admiration of ages; yet they, thro the lapse of time have been impaired, crumbled, demolished and of all their magnificence, wealth and glory nothing survives but the History of their rise and fall.

Where is the glory of Egypt, that land famed for learning Phylosophy and the Arts, where Jerusalem the city of God, Babylon the great, or Rome the Mistress of the world? Of them how little is known? How little left except the fragments of fallen greatness? and their *builders* are forgotten. So man dies and the work of man's device perishes!

Conscious of this fact people in all ages have been emulous to perpetuate their names and to add a permanency to their labors especially in Architecture.

The Stone over which I stand, just laid as the foundation of a house to the Name of the Lord, exhibits the common wisdom and desire of man to seek out choice stones prepared by the Artists for a foundation; to lay

them deep and strong, and attach to them some monumental token; that when the superstructure shall fail even their unborn generations may recognize their Ancestry and gratify themselves with a view of the religious feelings and designs of their Progenitors.

The Patriarch Jacob when in vision he saw heaven and earth connected by a ladder representing the meditation of Christ, in holy awe said "This is none other but a house of God." Here he began to build and took a stone which had served him as a pillow and set it up and consecrated to his God by an offering; then declared, "This stone which I have set up for a pillar shall be God's house." Gen. 28: 22.

As to the Origin of religiously laying the principal stone in a foundation of the Lord's house and of gravings them with some appropriate inscription we have no certain account—but we have reason to believe that it was practised at a very early period of the world. For to this practise Job seems evidently to allude (Job 18:23) when he so ardently denied that his belief in the Messiah as his Redeemer might be perpetuated—"O that my words were written in a book—that they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock forever" God himself by the prophet Zechariah alludes to the principal stone in the foundation of the temple at Jerusalem with its perpetual engraving, "For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua, Behold I will engrave the graving thereof" Zech. 3:9. This stone in a temple engraved is however spoken of as the emblem of Christ the chief corner stone of His spiritual temple.

The stone to be inscribed is the Corner Stone, placed on the foundation at the N. East Angle of the building forming the two sides. On each face of this stone N. and E. an appropriate writing was put in a manner as

durable as stone and lead which would transmit to generations to come the purport of the inscription.

This stone is distinguished on account of its place, the *head* of the corner, the first to be laid, unlike every other in the foundation the place of every other is governed by it: and 'tis distinguished by the information it conveys to prosperity; and is called the corner stone, chief corner stone, head stone of a corner.

The stone here placed at the corner of building, especially of a house for Divine worship, is an Emblem of Christ who is in all these respects the chief corner stone in the spiritual temple--the sure foundation--as expressed by the Prophet Isiaah, 28: 16: Behold I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation; he that believeth shall not make haste.

The same is quoted and applied to Christ by Peter (I Peter 2: 4.)

We see then that the very custom, at least from the days of Solomon, of religiously placing the first stone in a foundation of houses erected for Divine worship, is not merely ceremonious, but very significant; expressive of a regard for God, a solemn dedication; and the appropriate inscription durably put in *lead* upon the corner stone is a pledge of sincerity in the dedication which the builders make as well as a testimony to generations unborn that God is to be worshipped.

In the house now rising upon this foundation we anticipate the satisfaction and privilege of worshipping our God unmolested, we, our children and our children's children for many generations. Here we hope from Sabbath to Sabbath to meet with our families and raise our prayers and praises to God with the friends of Zion. Here we hope to hear from the ambassadors of Christ messages of mercy. In this house we hope to see the

glory of the Lord in his word, ordinances and in the majesty of his Grace; and we pray not one but many of our posterity and multitudes of our fellow beings may find this *the house of God and Gate of Heaven*. That we may be prepared to take a part with unborn millions, who may succeed us, in worshipping God eternally in that Temple above made without hands.

We who now are active in the work of building this house will soon sleep in dust, and be forgotten by the living, and the house with all the materials placed on this foundation will at some distant period decay, and be levelled with the dust.

In such an event but little may be known of present circumstances however interesting to us, yet the inspectors of the ruins may on the Plate underneath this stone find that their Ancestors feared God;—were his worshippers, built this house to his name on this consecrated spot:—They may know too the very day and interesting occasion of our present meeting and become familiar with the names of some here present; and have set before them the precise time of the existence of the Society, Church, Ministry and of the most remarkable outpourings of the Holy Spirit for the enlargement of Christ's kingdom. For such information lies here deposited for the gratification of posterity and a century hence, should no extraordinary Providence intercept. And while they read (let the thought be impressive) the state of each present on this occasion will be unalterably fixed either in *happiness* or *woe*, as we shall be found faithful or unfaithful in the improvement of the blessings connected with the erection of this house for God.

To conclude: When God laid the foundations of the world we were not there; but we shall be eye, and interested witnesses of the final conflagration of all worlds.

We did not repair to the Birth Place of the Babe of Bethlehem, the incarnate Son, the predicted corner stone in the foundation of the Gospel church, combining Jews and Gentiles: but e'er long we shall see the completion of the Glory of God's spiritual temple and Christ sitting as King.

In a word—Whatever may be our present character, or hope or purpose: we must very soon bow in submission before the Great Judge of souls, and see the concerns of the Universe adjusted and receive our everlasting reward.

Blessed then is that servant whomsoever his Lord cometh shall find watching. Amen.

Address to the Master Builder.

Sir: These implements of Architecture I have the honor to present to you and through you to the Board of Managers, by which you are to square and level and plumb the foundation and superstructure of this house now building, sacred to the worship of Almighty God.

On you and your associates devolves the arduous task of wisely planning and faithfully executing this great work.

The station you fill is honorable and very highly responsible, since to you is confided this vast collection of wood, stone and other materials to be disposed of so as to answer reasonable expectation in the completion of the edifice with the greatest dispatch, and with the least possible loss.

Under your control every workman is placed and by you all the concerns of the undertaking are to be directed until every part of the design shall be executed. And 'tis our fervent prayer that a gracious Providence will

shield you from every evil, preserve your lives and health and enable you to furnish to the Westerly Religious Society in Boscawen and to the church in connection a commodious House to the Name of the Lord on this foundation.

That when solemnly dedicated it may be filled with devout worshippers; and that the Lord from Heaven would descend and dwell therein by his spirit of grace, saying "This is my habitation; here will I dwell forever I have desired it."

Plate

Inscriptis Sempiterna

Sacre, ad honorem et adorationem Dei sanctissimi, angulus lapis hujus domui positus est; die Junii Viginti septimo Anno Domini millesimo octingesimo viginti tertio.

This sacred edifice is erected by the united efforts, and for the peaceable occupancy forever of the Westerly Religious Society in Boscawen; and the whole workmanship executed by Daniel Pillsbury, James Kilborn, George T. Kilborn, and George T. Pillsbury the Board of Managers.

W. R. Society formed March 20th

Church gathered. Sept. 10th

Present Minister settled Sept. 26, 1804.

Greatest Revivals in 1815 and 1819.

Number of church members 121.

Religion now in a *low state*.

Copy of Inscription E. PRICE, Pastor of the Church.

June 1823.

The house was completed and pews sold by auction December 15. One of the conditions of sale was, "it is to be distinctly understood by every purchaser of a pew that the meeting house shall be forever under the control of the Westerly Religious Society and the Second Congregational Church of Christ in Boscawen: the Church to have a negative in the Society in all matters relating to the admission of ministers or teachers.

The house was dedicated December 25. No record has been found of the exercises that day.

One Hundredth Anniversary

Nov. 18, 1903. The church voted that a committee be appointed to report at some future meeting, "Whether it is advisable to observe the one hundredth anniversary of its organization, and if favorable to report how it shall be observed."

The committee appointed were;

William W. Burbank.

Frances B. Sawyer.

James L. Gerrish.

Ellen A. Burbank

Nancy E. Macurdy.

March 4, 1904, The committee reported as follows; "We recommend that the church celebrate its one hundredth anniversary. That we invite all who have been connected with the church, society or Sunday school, all former pastors, the Congregational churches in Boscawen and Salisbury and the Methodist church in Webster."

"That the invitation be issued by the church clerk."

"That the program be arranged by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Bliss."

"That a committee of arrangements be chosen with power to appoint sub-committees."

It was voted to accept and adopt the report and the committee reporting be the committee of arrangements.

In accordance with the vote of March 4, the church observed its one hundredth anniversary Sept. 13. In response to the invitation nearly three hundred assembled,

many coming from a distance to join in the celebration.

The program was as follows;

10-30 a. m. Devotional and praise service led by the pastor.

Poem Ellen K. Abbott

Ladies Charitable Society Ellen A. Burbank

Music

The Sunday School Mary F. Sawyer

Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor
Emma Sawyer

12-00 Dinner

1-30 Praise Service

Poem Luther B. Little

Woman's Missionary Society Priscilla Little

Music

Statistics William W. Burbank

Music

Historical Address Arthur Little D. D.

Remarks from former pastors and others

Music

Benediction

The Sunday School

The Sunday school was organized in 1816, the sessions being held in the different school districts during the summer months.

A Bible class was organized in 1824 under the instruction of the pastor, its sessions being held in the Meeting House between the morning and afternoon services. In 1834 the school was organized on its present basis. From this time to 1857 Mr. Price was superintendent.

1857	to	1860	Enoch Little.
1860	"	1865	Calvin Morrill.
1865	"	1867	John P. Farmer.
1867	"	1870	F. B. Sawyer.
1870	"	1871	J. C. Pearson.
1871	"	1873	Ephriam Little.
1873	"	1875	Sherman Little.
1875	"	1877	F. B. Sawyer.
1875	"	1882	W. W. Burbank.
1882	"	1887	Geo. Little.
1887	"	1892	H. F. Pearson.
1892	"	1900	W. W. Burbank.
1900	"	1901	Priscilla Little.
1901	"	1902	W. W. Burbank.
1902	"		Mary F. Sawyer.

Roll of Members

	Admitted	Dismissed	Died
12 Judith Abbott,	1804	1806	
20 Mehitabel Austin,	1806		1829
238 Nathan P. Ames,	1835	1863	
241 Lendall Allen,	1835		1840
159 Lucy Ames,	1828	1840	
168 Eldad Austin,	1830		1885
169 Naomi Austin,	1830		1891
198 John Allen,	1832		1863
215 William Abbott,	1835	1836	
218 Dorcas Abbott,	1835	1836	
272 Jabez Abbott,	1836		1886
290 Daniel Adams,	1842		1864
291 Jane Adams,	1842		
297 Samuel Ames,	1843	1850	
315 Sarah Allen,	1843		1864
322 David Ames,	1843	1858	
328 Mary Ann Adams,	1844		1844
361 Ellen K. Abbott,	1852		1908
371 Mary A. Austin,	1856		
374 Abbie C. Austin,	1857		1880
380 William W. Austin,	1858		
381 Warren Abbott,	1858	1905	
391 Joshua P. Abbott,	1858	1908	
400 Livonia C. Ames,	1838	1865	
423 Susan C. Arey,	1865		1870
472 Alma A. Austin,	1883		
499 Annie Agnew,	1893	1904	
534 Henry H. Austin,	1902		
535 Harriettt A. Austin,	1902		
70 Enoch Burbank,	1815		
98 Betsey Bowers,	1819		1833
99 Reuben C. Bowers,	1820	1826	
104 Little Burbank,	1820		1870
183 Johanna C. Burbank,	1832		1843

184	Sephronia G. Burbank,	1832	1847
185	Judith Burbank,	1832	1847
186	Maria J. Boyden,	1832	1853
187	Zilphia Burpee,	1832	1867
191	Sally Bowers,	1832	1838
199	Abraham Burbank,	1832	1856
201	Joseph Burpee,	1832	1886
206	Hannah Blaisdell,	1833	1871
215	Lucretia L. Burbank,	1835	1840
245	Micah Burbank,	1835	
253	Lydia Burbank,	1835	
260	George W. Burbank,	1835	1873
261	David E. Burbank,	1835	1904
270	Hannah F. Burbank,	1835	1842
278	Dorothy J. Burbank,	1839	1883
282	Elizabeth Buxton,	1839	1842
287	John Bias,	1841	1843
293	Wyatt Boyden,	1843	1853
294	Adaline Boyden,	1843	1853
304	Ezekiel W. Burbank,	1843	1863
326	Lois Buxton,	1844	1870
345	Fitz H. Boyden,	1850	1853
354	Edward Buxton,	1852	1885
		1852	1867
358	Elizabeth M. Buxton,	1897	1899
390	William W. Burbank,	1858	
393	Henrietta R. Bills,	1858	1885
399	Lucretia L. Burbank,	1858	1861
433	Ellen M. D. Burbank,	1867	
477	Sarah C. Burbank,	1884	1891
480	Alice M. Burbank,	1886	1896
491	Ellen A. Burbank,	1891	
492	Effa A. Burbank,	1891	
488	Ellen L. Burbank,	1889	1894
528	J. Henry Bliss,	1900	
529	Florence Bliss,	1900	
530	Mary F. Bliss,	1900	
531	Annie T. Bliss,	1900	
532	Alice E. Bliss,	1900	1905
537	Lucretia L. Burbank,	1904	

3	Sarah Call,	1804	1834
7	Paul Clark,	1804	1808
21	Polly Clement,	1806	1819
36	Sally Call,	1807	1866
38	Nathaniel H. Couch,	1808	1832
39	Elizabeth Couch,	1808	1841
40	John Corser, Jr.,	1808	1827
		1865	1866
41	Mehitabel Corser,	1808	1837
46	David Corser, Jr.,	1812	1863
47	Abigail Corser,	1812	1868
109	Luke Corser,	1826	1884
114	Judith Coffin,	1820	1825
129	Anna Coffin,	1820	1841
139	Ann Couch,	1823	1828
144	Thomas Coffin,	1827	1844
145	Hannah Coffin,	1827	1833
140	David Corser,	1824	1863
157	Mary Coffin,	1828	1837
164	Abigail O. Corser,	1829	1835
170	Mary Corser,	1830	1854
172	John Corser, 3d,	1831	1846
200	Benj. Carter,	1832	1838
204	Elizabeth K. Carlton,	1833	1833
216	Peter Coffin,	1835	1877
219	Eunice T. Coffin,	1835	1877
220	Mary Corser,	1835	1875
227	Enoch Coffin,	1835	1843
228	Charles C. Coffin,	1835	1855
233	Eunice Corser,	1835	1846
240	Frederick Coffin,	1835	1844
256	Phebe Corser,	1835	1855
263	Hannah B. Coffin,	1835	1844
267	Elvira Coffin,	1835	1861
298	Rice Corser,	1843	1852
299	Irene Corser,	1843	1876
312	Mary Clarke,	1843	1891
314	Elizabeth Corser,	1843	1885
335	Rebecca A. Corser,	1847	1874
342	Marcia Corser,	1848	1850

351	Thomas H. Currie,	1851	1859	
369	George Coffin,	1856		1863
372	Charlotte A. Cochran,	1856	1908	
378	Ephraim Corey,	1858	1862	
384	Mary A. Corey,	1858		1888
401	Elizabeth Cogswell,	1858		1876
402	Sarah E. Coffin,	1858	1877	
403	Esther P. Coffin,	1858	1870	
405	Ariadna A. Corser,	1858	1880	
412	Frances A. Cogswell,	1860		
414	Francis Cogswell,	1860		1881
		1862	1876	
415	Abby S. Corser,)	1887	1892
418	Joseph S. Cogswell,)	1865	1866
421	Mary F. Cogswell,		1865	1866
422	Lydia Corser,		1865	1881
429	Walter S. Couch,		1866	1877
431	Nancy E. Couch,		1867	
459	Adaline E. Corser,		1877	1902
517	Martha A. Champion,		1895	1900
519	Preston W. Champion,		1895	1900
72	Rachel Danforth,		1815	1854
112	Sarah Downer,		1820	1831
146	Jane Dodge,		1827	1862
152	Louisa Dix,)	1827	1869
)	1881	1897
153	Martha Dodge,		1827	1832
154	Eliza Dodge,		1827	1831
190	Polly Danforth,		1832	1843
195	Bernice Danforth,		1832	1878
217	Henry L. Dodge,		1835	1897
236	Tamson Danforth,		1835	1879
248	Putney Danforth,		1835	1864
262	Betsey Danforth,		1835	1841
275	John Danforth,		1839	1850
279	Mary Danforth,		1839	
306	Sullivan Danforth,		1843	
318	Hannah S. Danforth,		1843	1897
327	Mary L. Dodge,		1844	1908

357	Mehitabel C. Danforth,	1852	1860
368	Elizabeth N. Danforth,	1855	1857
377	Paul Dodge,	1858	1868
385	Henry P. Davis,	1858	1859
386	Charles S. Danforth,	1858	1875
419	Orrin Danforth,	1865	
924	Obra A. Danforth,	1864	1865
427	Emma Dodge,	1866	1904
435	Lucy Dodge,	1867	1888
466	Vienna Dodge,	1881	1886
502	George Dunbar,	1893	
417	Olive Eager,	1864	1866
37	Drusilla Flanders,	1807	
43	Moses Flanders,	1809	1832
67	Rebecca S. Fifield,	1815	1819
87	Eunice Fowler,	1816	1857
115	Hannah Farmer,	1820	1833
138	Mehitabel Fellows,	1823	1836
147	Sarah Farmer,	1827	1846
155	Mary Fowler,	1827	1833
		1828	1830
160	Eunice Fowler,	1833	1834
		1836	1852
188	Anna C. Flanders,	1832	1840
197	John Farmer,	1832	1836
202	Samuel C. Flanders,	1832	1840
242	John P. Farmer,	1835	1868
276	Parmelia Fellows,	1839	1864
324	Sally Fitts,	1844	1847
332	Mary A. Fitts,	1846	1851
333	Rhoda J. Fitts,	1846	1854
334	Martha Farmer,	1846	1867
364	Sarah A. Fitts,	1846	1869
426	Martha J. Fellows,	1866	1873
543	J. E. S. Fifield,	1906	
544	Eliza A. Fifield,	1906	
4	Edward Gerald,	1804	1811
23	Moses Gerrish,	1806	1854
24	Sarah Gerrish,	1806	1836
30	Susanna Gerrish,	1807	1830

68	James Geddings,	1815	1828
75	Jeremiah Gerrish,	1815	1843
132	Austin George,	1821	1827
167	Polly George,	1830	1837
171	William D. George,	1830	1897
207	Lydia Gerrish,	1833	1839
223	Jane Gerrish,	1835	1840
232	Sarah Gerrish,	1835	1872
239	Moses Gerrish,	1835	1854
277	Polly L. Gerrish,	1839	1843
295	Mary Gerrish,	1843	1845
308	Edwin Gerrish,	1843	1848
331	Lydia Gerrish,	1845	1853
337	Sarah J. Gerrish,	1848	1872
367	Henry H. Gerrish,	1854	
375	Sally George,	1857	1879
383	Submit George,	1858	1899
388	James L. Gerrish,	1858	
425	Sarah B. C. Gerrish,	1865	1892
430	Harris Goodwin,	} 1866 1873 1884 1888	
432	Martha George,		1867
442	Caroline L. Gerrish,	1871	
445	Thomas Gerrish,	1877	1897
469	Edwin C. Gerrish,	1882	
470	Martha J. George,	1883	
471	Govetta Goodhue,	1883	1894
481	Carrie E. Goodwin,	1886	1888
484	Charles E. Gordon,	1887	1891
485	Amy A. Gordon,	1887	1891
513	Mabel A. Gerrish,	1894	1903
514	Edith M. Gerrish,	1894	
515	Mary S. Gerrish,	1894	1907
516	Mary Gerrish,	1894	
527	Gertrude Gerrish,	1900	
166	Nancy F. K. Hardy,	1829	1842
194	Ruth Huntress,	1832	1843
203	Albert B. Harvey,	1832	1835
325	Judith Hardy,	1844	

441	Luella M. Heath,	1871	1888
454	Eva M. Heath,	1877	1888
478	Mary J. Heath,	1885	
507	William F. Henderson,	1894	1900
508	Clara A. Henderson,	1894	1900
503	Frederick S. Henderson,	1893	1900
505	Emma Henderson,	1893	1903
504	Albert Henderson,	1893	1900
53	George Jackman,	1815	1839
64	Elizabeth Jackman,	1815	
65	Judith C. Jackman,	1815	1864
88	Hannah Jackman,	1816	1826
89	Anna Jackman,	1816	1856
96	Dorothy Jackman,	1817	1822
97	Polly M. Jackman,	1817	1858
105	Joshua Jackman,	1820	1822
110	Hollis Jackman,	1820	1831
126	Sarah Jackman,	1820	1831
178	Joseph W. Jackman,	1831	1897
189	Nancy Jackman,	1832	1836
212	Benj. Jackman,	1835	1836
222	James F. Jackman,	1835	1838
455	Judith M. Jackman,	1877	
493	Florence Jackman,	1891	1902
501	Nellie Jackman,	1893	
545	George W. Jackman,	1907	
5	Thomas Kilburn,	1804	1810
6	Anna Kilburn,	1804	1826
13	Eliphalet Kilburn,	1805	1844
15	Mary Kilburn,	1805	1842
51	James Kilburn,	1815	1843
52	Benj. T. Kimball,	1815	1842
54	Enoch Kilburn,	1815	1847
55	George T. Kilburn,	1815	1844
62	Betsey Kilburn,	1815	1835
63	Elizabeth Kilburn,	1815	1843
73	Sarah Knight,	1815	1835
75	Eunice Knight,	1815	1828
80	Sally Kilburn,	1815	1845
83	Clarissa Kilburn,	1815	1889

85	Judith Kimball,	1815	1845
95	Mary Kimball,	1816	1826
123	Elizabeth C. Knight,	1820	1835
134	Eliphalet Kilburn,	1821	1844
135	Catharine Knight,	1821	1827
177	Edna D. Kilburn,	1831	1838
192	Roxy A. Kimball,	1832	1844
193	Eunice Kilburn,	1832	1838
225	Moody Kilburn,	1835	1843
226	David F. Kimball,	1835	1842
237	Judith Kilburn,	1835	1844
239	Gilbert Kilburn,	1835	
243	Mary Kilburn,	1835	1844
244	Peter Kimball,	1835	1842
249	Caroline Kimball,	1835	1850
252	Phebe Kilburn,	1835	1890
264	Mehitabel F. Kilburn,	1835	1842
274	Elizabeth Kilburn,	1838	1847
365	Polly Kilburn,	1853	1853
25	Enoch Little,	1807	1848
26	Jesse Little,	1807	1840
27	Polly Little,	1807	1833
28	Anna Little,	1807	1839
29	Martha Little,	1807	1855
31	Moses Little,	1807	1871
34	Sally Lowell,	1807	1815
35	Sally Little,	1807	1837
50	Jacob Little,	1815	1823
58	Joseph Little, Jr.,	1815	1847
81	Henry Little, Jr.,	1815	1828
71	Sarah B. Little,	1815	1869
74	Eliza Little,	1815	1835
81	Polly Little,	1815	1820
86	Jane Little,	1815	1817
76	Phebe Little,	1815	1850
79	Simeon B. Little,	1815	1875
91	Friend Little,	1815	1836
106	Enoch Little, Jr.,	1820	1875
107	Thomas Little,	1820	1856
108	Leavitt Little,	1820	1828

111	Persis Little,	1820	
116	Jane Little,	1820	1867
119	Rhoda B. Little,	1820	1824
120	Hannah Lucia Little,	1820	1846
121	Emma Little,	1820	1829
124	Martha Little,	1820	1830
130	Susan Little,	1821	1836
133	James Little,	1821	1836
136	Charles H. Little,	1821	1828
148	Harriett Little,	1827	1850
151	Sarah G. Little,	1827	1829
173	Mary G. Little,	1831	1836
174	Mary Little,	1831	1869
181	Richard Little,	1831	1840
182	Rhoda B. Little,	1832	1842
213	Benjamin Little,	1835	1846
214	Henry Little,	1835	1836
221	Sally Little,	1835	1837
224	Joseph Little,	1835	1847
229	Ephraim Little,	1835	1885
338	Calvin Little,	1848	1879
320	Mary Little,	1843	1853
231	Myra A. Little,	1835	1856
234	Lurana C. Little,	1835	1843
245	Charles Little,	1835	1836
247	Bitfield P. Little,	1835	1843
268	Albert G. Little,	1835	1836
285	Charles E. Lang,	1841	1900
286	Rebeckah H. Lang,	1841	1882
292	Samuel Little,	1843	1893
301	Levi Little,	1843	1885
302	George Little,	1843	1895
305	Enoch Little,	1843	1854
310	Sarah Little,	1843	1851
311	Sally Couch Little,	1843	1852
319	Alphia C. Little,	1843	1897
336	Mary F. Little,	1848	1849
339	Jane Little,	1848	1867
340	Ellen Little,	1848	1870

341	Eveline Little,	1848	1895
352	Sarah H. Little,	1851	1856
355	Louisa Little,	1852	1866
359	Horace Little,	1852	1858
360	Charles Little,	1852	1869
362	Priscilla Little,	1852	
363	Susan J. Little,	1852	1863
366	Sherman Little,	1854	1895
373	Arthur Little,	1856	1867
420	Emeline B. Little,	1865	1907
437	Adaline T. Little,	1869	1885
444	Lucy A. Little,	1876	1876
446	Caleb P. Little,	1877	1908
449	Luther B. Little,	1877	1882
456	M. Alice Little,	1877	
457	Charles B. Little,	1877	1891
460	Frank A. Lang,	1879	
475	M. Rebecca Little,	1884	1902
495	Thomas S. Lewis,	1892	1897
497	M. E. Lewis,	1892	1897
509	Edward A. Little,	1894	1906
510	Bertha P. Little,	1894	1906
535	Myra A. Little,	1904	
536	Clara M. Little,	1904	
8	Ezekiel Morse,	1804	1832
9	Mary Morse,	1804	1806
19	Phebe Moody,	1806	1848
32	Dorothy McNish,	1807	
94	Sally Martin,	1816	1839
117	Hannah Morrill,	1820	
122	Eunice Moody,	1820	1848
137	Sarah Morse,	1823	1854
141	Samuel Morse,	1824	1827
142	Sally Morse,	1824	1836
162	John Morse,	1828	1833
196	Prudence Morse,	1832	1833
210	Nancy Morse,	1834	1865
209	Joseph C. Morse,	1834	1863
211	Mary Morse,	1834	

316	Phebe A. Morse,	1843	1880
317	Lucretia E. Morse,	1843	1856
343	Calvin Morrill,	1849	1875
346	Daniel McCurdy,	1851	1859
347	Betsey McCurdy,	1851	1888
353	David A. McCurdy,	1851	1870
		1902	
370	Salome McCurdy,	1851	1870
376	Elisabeth Morse,	1857	1867
382	Caleb A. Morse,	1858	1869
407	Sarah H. Morse,	1858	1901
538	Joseph E. Morse,	1904	
539	Addie G. F. Morse,	1904	
540	Annie O. Miles,	1906	
542	Lulu Miles,	1906	
84	Phebe Nichols,	1815	1827
175	Judith S. Noyes,	1831	1844
280	Ephraim Noyes,	1839	1856
281	Ednah A. Noyes,	1839	1888
321	Mary Noyes,	1843	1857
10	Samuel Pearson,	1805	1843
11	Ebenezer Price,	1804	1864
14	Lucy Price,	1805	1857
16	Polly Pearson,	1805	1844
56	Joshua C. Plummer,	1815	1829
57	Enoch Pillsbury, Jr.,	1815	1837
59	Moody A. Pillsbury,	1815	1863
66	Sally Pillsbury,	1815	1859
69	Hannah B. Plummer,	1815	1824
82	Rebeckah Pillsbury,	1815	1874
77	Joseph Pillsbury,	1815	1830
100	Daniel Pillsbury, Jr.,	1820	1830
101	Enoch Pillsbury,	1820	1879
102	George T. Pillsbury,	1820	1836
118	Anna Plummer,	1820	1832
125	Mary Pillsbury,	1820	1843
131	Mary F. Price,	1821	1832
143	Samuel Pillsbury,	1821	1854
149	Mary Pearson,	1827	1889
150	Sarah Pillsbury,	1827	1880

155	Susanna Pillsbury,	1828	1836
158	Naney Pearson,	1828	1856
161	Emily Pillsbury,	1828	1836
165	Lucy E. Price,	1829	1859
176	Emily P. Price,	1831	1838
179	Frederic Price,	1831	1841
205	William T. Pillsbury,	1833	1834
		1836	1845
208	Mehitabel H. Pillsbury,	1834	1859
230	Jeremiah Plummer,	1835	
250	Phebe K. Pillsbury,	1835	1836
255	Catherine Pillsbury,	1835	1836
259	Frederic P. Plummer,	1835	1853
288	Eliza J. Pillsbury,	1841	
296	Eliza Pearson,	1843	1877
300	Paul Pearson,	1843	1885
303	William Pearson,	1843	1898
307	George Pillsbury,	1843	1858
313	Sarah Pearson,	1843	1875
356	Sarah J. Pearson,	1852	1904
387	John C. Pearson,	1858	1879
389	Henry F. Pearson,	1858	1904
398	Lizzie Pearson,	1858	1879
408	Charles E. Putney,	1858	1898
409	Susan Putney,	1858	
416	Mary J. Pillsbury,	1862	1865
438	Ida J. Putney,	1869	1883
443	Sarah G. Pillsbury,	1875	1905
448	Willie H. Pillsbury,	1877	1908
450	Cora E. Putney,	1877	1898
453	Ada Pillsbury,	1877	
474	George L. Pearson,	1884	1886
475	Charles Pearson,	1884	
479	Jessie E. Pearson,	1886	1905
487	William S. Putney,	1889	
495	Mary J. Putney,	1892	
546	Ivah L. Pillsbury,	1907	
128	John B. Robertson,	1820	1828
329	Andrew Robertson,	1844	1844
330	Mary Robertson,	1844	1844

462	Rose Ann Rice,	1880	1903
511	Frank Roberts,	1894	
512	Mary C. Roberts,	1894	
521	William J. Robinson,	1898	1900
522	Sarah T. Robinson,	1898	1900
1	Benjamin Sweatt,	1804	1810
2	Sarah Sweatt,	1804	1845
17	Dorcas Stickney,	1805	1820
22	Anna Shepard,	1806	1829
33	Sally Smith,	1807	1817
42	Stephen Sweatt,	1808	1829
44	Lucy Senter,	1809	1815
48	Moses Sawyer,	1815	1821
49	Anna Sawyer,	1815	1836
60	Benjamin Stickney,	1815	1818
90	Rebeckah Sargent,	1816	
92	Moses Smith,	1816	1825
93	Isaac Sargent,	1816	1825
122	Susanna Sweatt,	1820	1825
163	Plummer R. Stevens,	1828	1835
251	Ezekiel Sargent,	1835	1843
254	Judith Sweatt,	1835	1847
265	Stephen Sweatt,	1835	1847
283	Benjamin S. Sawyer,	1841	1843
284	Lucy C. Sawyer,	1841	1843
309	George I. Sargent,	1843	1846
323	Lydia Sanborn,	1843	
329	Benjamin Smith,	1858	1862
392	Mary A. Stevens,	1858	1862
394	Mary J. Smith,	1858	1868
395	Serena L. Sargent,	1858	1867
404	Anna A. Stevens,	1858	1888
413	Francis B. Sawyer,	1860	1907
436	Mary F. Sawyer,	1869	
439	Rosetta R. Sanborn,	1870	
447	Herman L. Sawyer,	1877	1889
451	Sarah E. Sawyer,	1877	
452	Emma E. Sawyer,	1877	
458	Samuel P. Speed,	1877	1908
467	Lydia A. Silver,	1881	

483	Jennie R. Sanborn,	{	1887	1893
			1908	
489	Ina M. Stone,		1889	
520	Addie V. Simpson,		1896	
523	Frank Shepard,		1900	
524	Mabel Shepard,		1900	
525	Archibald Sanderson,		1900	1905
526	Louise Severance,		1900	1901
541	Nina L. M. Shepard,		1906	
113	Phebe Thurston,		1820	1867
180	Ruth Thurston,		1831	1843
258	Mary Titecomb,		1835	1903
273	Jeremiah Titecomb,		1838	1853
289	Susanna Thurston,		1842	1842
344	Samuel T. Titecomb,		1849	1878
486	Emeline Thurber,		1889	
406	Eliza A. Titecomb,		1858	1888
506	Lizzie D. Urann,		1893	
18	Polly Willey,		1805	1820
45	Nancy Wilson,		1811	1834
103	Job Wilson,		1820	1833
257	Nancy B. Webster,		1835	1836
348	William C. Webster,		1851	1863
349	Phebe M. Webster,		1851	1860
350	Moses Webster,		1851	1898
396	Susan B. Webster,		1858	1864
397	Sarah J. Webster,		1858	1877
410	Olive Wallace,		1859	1861
411	Fanny W. Wallace,		1859	1875
428	Mary R. Webster,		1866	
434	Mary E. Whittier,		1867	1878
440	Ellen F. Webster,		1870	1898
461	William E. Walker,		1880	1908
463	Henry C. Wade,		1880	1896
464	Julia A. P. Wade,		1880	1905
468	Herbert C. Whitney,		1882	
482	Frank E. Wells,		1887	
490	Amanda J. Webber,		1891	1903
494	Wilbur W. Webster,		1891	1902

499	Horace Webster,	1893	1899
500	Rosetta Webster,	1893	1902
518	Sarah S. Wells,	1895	
547	Sarah Watson,	1908	

Confession of Faith and Covenant adopted by the Church at its organization.

CONFESSION OF FAITH.

We believe that there is one only living and true God, subsisting in three persons, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; equal in perfection, and the only proper object of all religious worship.

Secondly—That God has made a revelation of his will to man, and the holy Scriptures of the old and new Testaments are a record of this revelation, the only rule of faith and practice.

Thirdly—That God is the first cause of all things, and disposes of all creatures and events, which ever did, does, or will exist, or take place, according to his sovereign pleasure.

Fourthly—That God created man upright in his own moral image, and entered into a covenant of life with him, upon condition of perfect obedience, forbidding him to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, upon the pain of death.

Fifthly—That our first parents fell from the state wherein they were created, by sinning against God; in consequence of which disobedience, they and all their posterity, according to the righteous constitution of God, fell into a state of sin and misery. By the offense of one, judgment came upon all men to condemnation so that they have lost the moral image of God, are naturally indisposed, and morally unable to do anything to merit the favor of God.

Sixthly—That God did not leave all mankind to perish in this state of sin and misery; but out of his mere good pleasure, from eternity, hath chosen or elected some to everlasting life, and left others to their own chosen evil ways, to work out their own destruction.

Seventhly—That the Lord Jesus Christ the son of God, according to the good pleasure and determination of God the Father and his own free consent, hath undertaken and executed the office of a Mediator between God and man, that by perfect obedience and the sacrifice of himself he hath made a complete atonement for sin, wrought out a perfect righteousness, through the application of which all who, on the call and encouragement of the Gospel, by a true and living faith, receive and rest on Christ for righteousness and salvation, are justified and become the children of God and heirs of immortal glory.

Eighthly—That except a man be born again, by the special agency of the Holy Ghost, his heart purified by faith and sanctified in the whole man, after the moral image of God, he is unmeet for and cannot enter the kingdom of God.

Ninthly—That as christians are in duty bound to give all diligence to make their calling and election sure, by constant and persevering exercises of faith repentance and obedience to all the gospel requirements; so all believers in Christ shall have peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, and by the power and grace of God be kept through faith unto eternal life.

Tenthly—That God hath appointed a day in which he will judge the world in righteousness by Christ Jesus; at whose last coming there shall be a resurrection of the dead, and everyone shall be judged and rewarded according to his doings in his life. “And the wicked shall go

away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal”.

Eleventhly—That as Christ, by the Holy Spirit, communicates himself to true believers, so they, being members of the same body, the Church, of which Christ is the head, have fellowship one with another.

Twelfthly—That sincere believers in Christ and none others have a right to make a public profession of religion, as visible members of the Church of Christ, or have a right to the Sacraments of the Gospel, viz. Baptism and the Lord’s supper; and that no children ought to be offered up to God in the ordinance of baptism, without one or both of the Parents make visible profession of faith in and manifest a readiness to attend upon the ordinances and obey the laws of Christ.

Thirtheenthly—That the door of the church ought to be open to such and none but such, as give suitable evidence that they are born again—*And*

Fourteenthly—We believe that Christ hath appointed a discipline for his Church; this is the right of Christ alone; and that this discipline is nothing more or less than carrying into effect the laws of Christ in restraining and punishing transgressors.

COVENANT.

We whose names are subscribed, apprehending ourselves called by God into a church-state, sensible of our undone condition by nature, of the wickedness of our hearts and lives and of our moral inability to do anything to merit the favor of God, relying on the grace revealed and offered in the Gospel, do give up ourselves unreservedly to the everblessed God, and enter into covenant with one another.

As far as we know our own hearts, we personally and as a body take the Lord Jehovah, One God, in three persons, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, to be our God; God the Father, to be our father, guide and portion; God the Son, Our Redeemer and Saviour; and God the Holy Ghost our Sanctifier. To this God we give ourselves and our seed and all things, depending on the merits of Christ alone for deliverance from sin and advancement to holiness and eternal blessedness.

We acknowledge our indispensable obligation to glorify God in all the duties of a sober, righteous and godly life, particularly in the duties of a Church state, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord.

We conscientiously engage to attend, and endeavor to support the public worship of God; a preached word, the Sacraments of the New Testament, baptism and the Lord's supper, and all the Gospel institutions, in communion with one another.

As members, of Christ's visible church, we promise watchfully to avoid sinful contention, and stumbling blocks, where by our mutual edification may be obstructed; to seek those things which make for peace, kindly admonishing one another in love, and hereby submitting ourselves to the gospel discipline.

We engage to maintain daily worship of God in our families; to devote our offspring to the Lord, resolving to instruct our children and servants in the knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, of their hearts and duty, and to chastise and govern them according to the direction of God's word; that they by the divine blessing may be the Lord's.

And we promise that we will attend to the duties of justice and charity toward our fellow men and exhibit love to our neighbors as to ourselves.—And

As we take the Gospel revelation to be the rule of our discipline, so we expect to admit none into the church but such as give scriptural evidence of the work of sanctifying grace, in a judgement of charity and whose lives correspond therewith.

These things we covenant with God and one another, divine grace assisting to fulfill. May the Lord pardon all our errors and imperfections, and prepare and strengthen us in every good work to do his will; working in us that which is well pleasing in his sight; To whom be glory majesty and dominion forever—AMEN.

