

Glen Knecht (came to Union In June of 1954)

Reverend Glen Knecht had not responded to the letter sent by our committee and as a result a call was made to him and he returned the call.

He said he had the letter and had not answered because he thought it was in always in October and that he had plenty of time. (he obviously was thinking of Homecoming.)

He said his best memory was in June 3, 1954, when he was ordained at Union. He said it was the hottest night of the year and there was no air conditioning...He believes we have it now. He mentioned several men who had come to assist in the ordination. He listed their names in hope that some of our members who were there would remember them.

Ernest Cambell

Bill Brownson

Bill Emory (who also married them over 60 years ago)

John Baird (who brought the charge)

He closed this phone discussion with, "We prize our time at Union."

Then...

He called back and said he remembered a mistake he made when he preached his first sermon back in June of 1954. When he finished his sermon he invited everyone to come back that night for the evening service. He noted the session members rolling their eyes and then winked at this 24 year old preacher. (they did not have an evening service)

They had that evening service and it continued for some time after that.

He said the people at Union were so nice to them and he will never forget that memory.

(Phone conversation September 24, 2016.)