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Greenup Fork Baptist
Church, Owen County,
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GREENUP FORK CHURCH.
OWEN COUNTY. BAPTIST.
GREENUP FORK CEMETERY. WEST FAMILY CEMETERY.

LOCATION. Turn east from highway # 35 a half mile south from where that road crosses Severn Creek, six miles south of Owenton. Follow this, the Hessler road, two miles. This church is on a slight elevation facing the Hessler road, the front graded and fenced with a stone wall about three feet high, the top of this wall at ground level. A convenient stile block remains from horse and buggy days. Traces of the old road that came up the creek west of the church are evident. The first church was of log construction, date when built unknown. The present church was built in 1833, is two story high, the second story was used as lodge rooms, and has been remodeled several times. At the present time, (May, 1955) it is of frame construction, very well built.

The Greenup Fork Church was constituted and organized July 27, 1822, by Brothers John H. Ficklin and Mordeca Boulivar. The following Brethren and Sisters enrolled in the constitution.

Cornelis Duvall.	Polly Duvall.
David Shelton.	Henrietta Shelton.
Jesse Threlkeld.	Lucy Threlkeld.
Peter Shelton.	Sarah Eades.
Austin Shelton.	Sarah Shipp.

The following were the Pastors, from 1822 to 1879.

1st. Cornelis Duvall.	6th. P.H. Todd.
2nd. James Banter.	7th. Henry Ballard.
3d. Andy Suter.	8th. B.O. Branham.
4th. James Duvall.	9th. Josiah Razor.
5th. Elijah Cobb.	10th. Lewis Salin.

There are two cemeterys at this church, the church cemetery on the west, the West family cemetery on the south side.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Sparks, and other members of the Greenup Forks Church, gave the above information, and Mr. and Mrs. Sparks assisted in checking names and dates in the two graveyards.

Greenup Fork Church Cemetery.

On the west side of the church, about an acre in size, in a grove of virgin and second growth timber. Some of the tomb stones have fallen, and are hidden under a heavy growth of Myrtle, some of the graves have unmarked stones. Partly fenced with wire, some remains of an early wire fence of peculiar weave. (May. 1955.)

Reuben Lucas.	Born 1818.	Died 1883.
Nancy E. Lucas.	" 1829.	" 1917.
W.W. Lucas.	July 13, 1858.	Aug. 2, 1858.
Henry Lucas.	April 10, 1815.	Nov. 20, 1857.
Sarah Lucas.	Sept. 20, 1812.	Sept. 30, 1856.
William Toles.	Dec. 9, 1783.	Mar. 17, 1877.
Damsil, wife of William Toles.	Born 1781.	Died Aug. 29, 1863.
Henry K. Scott.	June 17, 1824.	Feb. 18, 1906.
Elizabeth Scott.	April 8, 1822.	Sept. 29, 1883.
William Giles.	No date.	
Becky Giles.	No date.	
Cynthia Bourne.	No date.	
Robert Bourne, her son.	No date.	
Tabitha, wife of W.M. Gulley.	Died Dec. 31, 1892.	Age 33 years.
Fannie, wife of Ed Sullivan.	Born Dec. 25, 1875.	Died Nov. 1, 1899.
Hollie, son of J.E. & O. Stringfellow.	June 16, 1882.	Dec. 5, 1884.
Robert L., son of W. & Lucinda Perry.	Feb. 4, 1890.	Nov. 24, 1891.
Ben W., son of J & P. Payne.	March 1, 1890.	Oct. 5, 1893.
Lillie, dau. " " " " "	Aug. 13, 1891.	Aug. 27, 1891.
Jas. Clarke.	Aug. 30, 1822.	March 20, 1900.
Elizabeth Clarke.	May 15, 1838.	Aug. 15, 1902.
B.F. Haydon.	Feb. 22, 1829.	Jan. 8, 1892.

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Bertha Lee Criswell. May 28, 1889. March 10, 1890.
George H. Gromer. Dec. 15, 1821. June 5, 1872.
Sarah G. Gromer. July 1, 1862. July 3, 1862.
Esculapions, son of George & Mary Groomer. May 14, 1873. Nov. 14, 1879.
R. H. Marston. Sept. 11, 1836. Aug. 3, 1925.
Kate, wife of W. H. Marston. 1849. 1917.
Smith F. Marston. May 7, 1883. March 8, 1907.
John S. Marston. Jan. 1, 1807. Feb. 24, 1864.
Eliza A., wife of J. S. Marston. Died July 6, 1889. Aged about 76 years.
Joe Hiles and wife. No date.
Lottie Marker. Died Aug. 28, 1887. Age 80 years.
Gabriel T. Threlkeld. Sept. 2, 1801. Feb. 20, 1850.
Cyrus Wingate. March 29, 1782. Aug. 11, 1841.
(Month of birth may be May instead of Mar., date almost undecipherable.)

West Family Graveyard.
Greenup Fork Church.
Baptist.

This is a small graveyard, about 50 by 100 feet in size, surrounded by a field stone fence. Members of some of the early families are buried here, unable to read names and dates on some of the headstones

Virgil M. West. Dec. 3, 1811. Jan. 22, 1858.
Victor L., son of V. & M. West. June 19, 1843. July 19, 1845.

Louisa A., wife of James Forsee. Died Apr. 14, 1847, Age 21
years, 8 months, 12 days.

Louisa Anna, daughter of J. S. & L. A. Forsee. Died Aug. 19,
1864. Age 17 years, 4 months, 14 days.

Henry Walker. Son of B. F. & M. B. Walker. Jan. 30, 1877. Aug. 8, 1877.
Virgil " " " " " " " " . June 18, 1872. Sept. 2, 1873.

Clarissa Beadles. Oct. 8, 1789. Dec. 11, 1854.

? Beadles. Headstone sunk in ground. Unable to read.

Martha L., daughter of J. & C. Beadles. July 21, 1830. Jan. 9, 1846.