

## MY TESTIMONY

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Here is a copy of a letter I wrote to the Trinity Methodist Church, Millville, NJ on May 18, 2004 regarding my testimony.

“On Sunday, May 28, 1944, I gave my life to Christ at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Milliville, NJ. I am now celebrating my Sixtieth Anniversary of that very important and joyous day. It occurred at the special evangelistic services conducted by the church with Evangelist Billy Opie of California.

Billy Opie and his brothers, Earl, Chuck, and Jack, along with a song leader Hal Marona, had been holding meetings in Philadelphia when they were invited to a Methodist Church in Bridgeton by the Reverend James Boughton and his wife Mary Boughton, a well-known pianist and singer. Following those meetings, the Opies went to Millville, then Pitman, Glassboro and Somerville for further services. The Lord did great things through their ministry and many people came to Christ. Though I lived in Trenton at the time and was attending high school, I hitch-hiked back and forth to many of those meetings, having attended first in Bridgeton where my sister lived.

On that night in 1944, I also felt called to the gospel ministry. My upbringing in a Christian family, and that personal experience of deciding for myself to follow Christ, resulted in my ordination as a Minister of Jesus Christ following college and seminary. I have been a preacher, pastor and educator, having served many years as a Christian college administrator. I am also the author of a biography of John Wanamaker, world-famous merchant who was a devout Christian and the founder of four churches in Philadelphia. I was the pastor of one of those churches.

Looking back over sixty years, I can say that serving Christ has been the joy of my life. I hope that all of us who name the name of Christ can live our lives so that many others, whether young or old, may come to know the Savior who gave His life so that we might be forgiven of our sins and have the new life which only He can give.

May ministers and teachers and members of the church continue to proclaim the Word of God, being assured that the seed will fall on fertile ground. Who knows what wonderful surprises will result.