

DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH

"1914 July, 15th" by Michael, Bishop of Pretoria.

X The much looked forward day dawned, and with very happy hearts we welcomed our Bishop and his dear wife Mrs. Furse.

The Service was most impressive, the singing went well conducted by Mr. H.B. Fawssett who had been a choir master.

The Deed of Gift was signed and sealed then with the Bishop leading us, we followed him round the portion of ground which was consecrated as a burial enclosure for our dear ones.

The Church and surrounding ground belongs to the Diocese of Pretoria.

The Bishop and Mrs. Furse and the congregation were then refreshed by an excellent lunch and we parted with words of encouragement and hope from the Bishop. ✓

Help came from all quarters. Mr. B. Grewar gave us some little Fir trees for a wind break which was badly needed. A cousin Tom Smith gave the fencing wire. The Bell was given by the Rev. W. Drury C.F. and Mrs. Peacock, Miss. Fawssett and Mrs. Fawssett in England shared in making the Altar Frontals, super frontals etc. Miss. Fawssett's embroidery is as beautiful today as when it was done so many years ago.

The Violet Frontal was given in memory of the Rev. E.H. Meggett by his mother and Fiancee and first used on Palm Sunday 1950.

We all helped in making the kneelers, and so gradually the Church was furnished until later when many more beautiful gifts were added.

From 1914 to May 1917.

The Rev. T.T. Perry was vicar of Nylstroom and district, he visited us for Services about three times a year and Mr. H.B. Fawssett was made lay-reader and took Matins and Evensong every Sunday.

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