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From: Jim Tasker [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, June 05, 2013 10:44 PM
To: JOHN KAUFFMAN
Cc: McCoy, Erin J; The Reverend Dr. Gary L. & Mrs. Janice E. Goodell; Mrs. Patricia Hollett; The Reverend Merle & Mrs. Barbara (Ellwood) Fetter
Subject: Re: Boston Chapel Pictures

Tim, I just now have had opportunity to view the emailed pictures you sent of Boston Chapel history. Beginning early in the day I was involved in front deck repair progress with Merle Fetter -- ENC 1960; NTS MDV; retired Pastor and Missionary & fellow PAZNAZ member. Merle was a Sunday School Superintendent, very valuable worker and Associate Pastor at Boston Chapel.

Altho some pictures didn't load on my 14-year-old computer's screen, it appears to me your pictures will be particularly valuable in the Archival researching and documenting of the Chapel's Mass Avenue history. That was a very, very important period of Eastern Nazarene College Administration and New England District involvement with the ministry of Boston Chapel.

My nearly 4 years of Chapel pastoral duties were all at 26 Dover Street, prior to the urban renewal forced move. I believe succeeding pastors Gary & Mrs. Goodell and Mrs. Tom Hollett will be valuable resources for you and for the ENC Archives in identifying these wonderfully preserved photos vis-à-vis their place in history. When the photos and other archival documentation are featured during October's Homecoming, additional input from Homecoming visitors, I am convinced, will be forthcoming.

The following is from the Church of the Nazarene Headquarters Archives:

Some notes from the annual District Superintendent reports (from the New England District journals):

1962 – D.S. Fletcher Spruce reports "Boston Chapel, organized this year, has nearly \$1,000 in savings for eventual relocation of their church, thanks to the leadership of their pastor, Rev. James Tasker.

1963 – D.S. Fletcher Spruce reports "Boston Chapel has been displaced by urban renewal and is relocating."

1964 – D.S. Fletcher Spruce reports "Boston Chapel where Rev. Tom Hollett is pastor, dedicated their newly acquired place of worship April 26. They have also increased the pastor's salary by \$15 per week.

1969 – D.S. Kenneth H. Pearsall reports "Rev. Gary Goodell, a recent graduate of ENC and pastor of the Boston Chapel, has just led his people into a relocation program. Since the old chapel was purchased by the city, a four-story dwelling on Massachusetts Ave. has been purchased and will provide a multipurpose building for our inner-city work.

Locations listed (from the New England District journals):

1954-62: 26 Dover St., Boston, MA

1963-68: 14 Elmwood St., (Roxbury, MA 02119) Boston, MA 02120

1969-78: 665 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, MA 02170

Tim, you have made the Boston Chapel Archives of even more value to the college, to the Boston Chapel founders, the dedicated workers over the years, and interested researchers. Many believe that a book of "The Boston Chapel Story" should be and will be written. With great appreciation, Jim

On Wed, Jun 5, 2013 at 2:25 PM, JOHN KAUFFMAN [REDACTED] wrote:

Jim,

Here are the pictures of Boston Chapel. Because hotmail will only allow me to send them 10MB at a time, and the files are large, I can only send 3-5 pictures at a time. If you recognize anyone, I would appreciate knowing.

Dr. John Timothy and Mary-Esther Kauffman



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Web site: www.jimtasker.us (This Boston Chapel history site is being updated. Thank you to you all who have sent photos & documents to the Archives for future generations.)

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