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Subject: Denominational Archivist 2011 Boston Chapel message
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Erin, this is an important 2011 message re actual Boston Chapel church-hood date appearing in Nazarene denominational Archives records. It is important that you have it. Jim

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To: [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
Subject: Boston Chapel Church of the Nazarene

Dear Jim,

Actually it was district superintendent J.C. Albright who organized Boston Chapel Church of the Nazarene. He did so in the fall of 1961. The report of his successor, Fletcher Spruce, to the 1962 assembly of the New England District provides this sequence of events:

"Two new churches were organized this year. Rev. J. C. Albright organized Boston Chapel last fall, and I organized Wolfboro, New Hampshire, this May." (NE District Minutes, 1962: 48)

"On December 20, 1961, Dr. Hardy C. Powers, general superintendent then in jurisdiction, called in regard to presenting my name to the New England District Advisory Board as a possible successor to Rev. J. C. Albright. . . . on Saturday, December 23, Dr. Powers notified me by telephone of my appointment as superintendent of the New England District." (Ibid., 45)

Bottom line: Albright, not Spruce.

Our collections include a bulletin from the dedication of a building in April 1964, and the back of that bulletin has a simple historical statement that says that Boston Chapel as a church was organized in September 1961.

The only way to get a more specific date than that will be to check local sources. Specifically, if ENC has a set of district newsletter from that year, one may be able to determine the exact

date that way.

Regarding membership, I have no access to records of charter membership. This is strictly a local church record. However, the district assembly journal from June 1962 states that Boston Chapel, by the date of the assembly, had 35 members (19 were by "profession of faith," 1 was a transfer from another denomination, and 15 were transfers from other Nazarene churches).

Sincerely,

Stan Ingersol
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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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