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On July 31, 2001, fire swept the church parsonage at 458 Fisher Road, in Strattanville, PA. It was determined that the fire started in the garage area, but the exact cause was never pinpointed. The fire destroyed the parsonage. We were scheduled to begin a week of Vacation Bible School with Barry and Gertrude Mason that very evening. The VBS began as scheduled, and God gave us an excellent week of presenting the Gospel message through the ministry of the Masons!

The very day of the fire, our next door neighbor's landlord, Mr. Jerry Bower, offered us a place to stay on South Fifth Avenue in Clarion. It was a full house and the present tenants were moving out the very next day. Mr. Bower so kindly also offered to forgo the first month's rent. We lived at that temporary location until the parsonage was completed in April of 2002!

Many generous and thoughtful expressions of kindness were shown to the parsonage family after this tragedy. The Conference family, the local community, and a host of others responded so generously in so many different ways!

The task of rebuilding the parsonage was accepted by Jon Lewis Contracting of Clarion, PA. Mr. Lewis and his crew were wonderful to work with and did a beautiful job raising the new structure. The church treasurer, Ken Nale, was a blessing during the rebuilding process and worked closely with the pastor, the church board, and the insurance company in keeping the process moving along smoothly.



Several improvements to the new parsonage over the old are:

1. New central air conditioning system.
2. A roof over the rear deck.
3. The house was plumbed for natural gas.
4. The front porch dimensions were enlarged.
5. Trailer hookups were added for sewage, water and electric.

The Lord has continued to bless the Strattanville Church. Some other exciting improvements that have been made recently are:

1. The renovation and painting of the church steeple.
2. The remodeling in the rest rooms at the church.
3. The installation of a new lighted church sign.
4. The remodeling of the church's front porch.
5. The addition of a beautiful and useful handicapped ramp.
6. The addition of a new sound board in memory of Alta McKendree.



Rev. Donald M. Myers, our Conference President, conducted a service of dedication for the rebuilt parsonage and other completed church projects this past November, 2006. The service was a blessing and a reminder to the church family of how wonderful and faithful the Lord has been to us during these last several years!



—Submitted by Rev. and Mrs. Stephen Fuller