Information Sheet

R  Grant Avenue Baptist Church (Springfield, Mo.).
1033  Booklet, 1929.
      One folder.

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This is the “Year Book and Directory” for 1929 for the Grant Avenue Baptist Church at Springfield in Greene County, Missouri. Included are photographs of the pastor and the church building, lists of officers, the church covenant, and a membership roll. Thomas Houston Wiles served as pastor of the congregation.

The Grant Avenue Baptist congregation in Springfield was organized in 1888, but it disbanded in 1902 and reorganized on 14 December 1905. A large and permanent church building was dedicated on 6 June 1926, not long after Thomas Houston Wiles had been called to become the congregation’s pastor. This 32-page booklet includes a photograph of the church building and a portrait of the Rev. Wiles, detailed lists of church officers, the church covenant, and rolls of both resident (about 600, with home addresses) and non-resident (about 100) members.

Also included in the collection is a cardboard flyer/invitation to the Sunday morning service on 6 May 1923, when 99 men were scheduled to sing “Sankey’s Song ‘The Ninety and Nine,’” the words to which were printed on the reverse of the flyer.

The congregation remains active in 2006 at 1033 N. Grant Ave. in Springfield.

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