

Bishop Hardie Leaston Assisted in Founding the PCAF 1957

Hardie Leaston was born in Milledgeville, Georgia, September 7, 1885. He moved to Detroit in 1912 and united with the Hartford Avenue Baptist Church. He remained there until 1929. This same year he was baptized in Jesus' Name and filled with the Holy Ghost in accordance with Acts 2:38.

In 1918 he was united in Holy Matrimony to Miss Beacher Sapp. No children were born to this union. Beacher preceded him in death.

In 1943 Elder Leaston established the Apostolic Faith Mission at the corner of Wyoming and W. Eight Mile Road. The Lord added souls to the church and the Mission continued to grow. Elder Leaston and the saints then started building a basement in order to establish a permanent place of worship.

Elder Leaston realized the Mission location was not adequate to house the saints, so he and the saints agreed to purchase two lots at the corner of Reimanville and Pasadena.

On April 30, 1949, Bishop Leaston was united in Holy Matrimony to Rebba Wyatt. No children were born to this union.

In 1960, the Church was awarded a certificate for outstanding improvements in the community of Royal Oak Township.

For many years Bishop Hardie Leaston was a pillar of strength to the saints of Zion. Bishop Hardie Leaston assisted in founding the PCAF as one of its incorporators and was a long serving member of the Board of Bishops.

