

writing bearing date the 10th day of May 1879 and do direct the said Luther R. Edwards, as trustee, to release to the said Allen H. Cotton and Almira his wife, a certain portion of the said tract of land on which the new Baptist Church, called "Sycamore" now stands: which portion is marked and bounded as follows: Beginning at a Dogwood standing on the south side of the proposed new road, thence along the south side of said road S 39^o 45' W. 45 chains to a sweet gum, thence S 50^o E 44.45 chains to a maple, thence N 80^o E 2.49 chains to a Sourswood, on Washington Hollands line, thence N 77^o 77 links to a red oak in said Hollands line, thence N 10^o W 3.60 chains to a post, thence N 80^o E 7.75 links to the first station. Containing one and fifty seven (157) hundredth acres, which land and premises the said Allen H. Cotton and Almira his wife for and in consideration of the sum of Five dollars, to them in hand paid (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) do hereby convey to Daniel Bradshaw, Augustus Crumpler and James H. Vaughan trustees and deacons of the said Church, and to their successors in office ad infinitum; together with all their right, title and interest in the premises and appurtenances thereon situated. In witness whereof the said Allen H. Cotton and Almira his wife, and the said James Vaughan and Luther R. Edwards, as trustee, in full ratification of all the facts herein stated have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year as first above written.

Allen H. Cotton {Seal}

Almira H. Cotton {Seal}

James Vaughan {Seal}

Luther R. Edwards {Seal}

Southampton County to-wit:

I, K. R. Griffin a Notary Public for the County aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do certify that Almira Cotton the wife of Allen H. Cotton, whose names are signed to the foregoing writing, bearing date on the 10th day of May 1879, personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid, and being examined by me privately and apart from her husband and having the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she the said Almira Cotton acknowledged the said writing to be her deed, and declared that she has willingly executed the same, and that she does not wish to retract it, given under my hand this 10th day of May 1879.

K. R. Griffin N. P.