

**George Newman: Family Settled in Bryson-Bethany Area**

GN: My family came here right after the Civil War, in fact they came here within a couple of months after the war was over. They were supposedly southern sympathizers and they were in a Union held territory, Union held area, west of upper east Tennessee. And when the Union won the war, southerners weren't too well received up there, so they, they came south, and they supposedly made the statement that they'd always lived in Tennessee and they'd always been Presbyterians so they were going to continue that tradition and they were going to stay in Tennessee and they were going to locate where there was a strong Presbyterian church, and Bethany Church was strong at that time, so they settled in the Bryson Bethany area. . . My family for about three generations is in the Bethany Cemetery.