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## Kivett Clan Assembles At Kivett's Church In Fourth Annual Reunion

Three hundred and fifty members of the Kivett clan, one of the oldest families in the history of the New World, assembled Sunday at Mount Pleasant church, better known as Kivett's church, in their fourth family reunion.

The family history, now in the possession of James H. Kivett, this city, dates back almost two centuries to 1743 when Peter Kivett emigrated from Holland to the town of Lankashire, England, in Lanchester county. From England he came to the colony of North Carolina in 1753, settling in the section that is now Randolph county. He was of Lutheran faith and brought to America a Dutch Bible printed in 1643. The Book is still in the possession of his descendants. With the exception of Alexander L. Kivett, a Confederate soldier, who died at

the age of 17 in a federal prison at Point Lookout in the fall of 1863, and Roxannah Kivett, who died at the age of 44, the history proves that longevity is a noted characteristic of the family.