

Rev. Matias Garcia Rodriguez

In this story, Rev. Rodriguez talks about the history of Mexico and how it relates to Texas, including many colorful tales about his famous great-grandfather José Policarpo Rodriguez, an early pioneer of the Hill Country. He also tells about his father, Emmett Rodriguez, who pastored the Calvary Baptist Church for 40 years, as well as about other interesting ancestors including his uncle, an Archbishop in the Catholic Church at one time. His mother, Maria Garcia, was social secretary to Mrs. Pancho Villa and this story includes many anecdotes involving these two families.

Rev. Rodriguez also tells about his experiences pastoring Calvary Baptist Church during the past 30 years, as well as his experiences during World War II when he was a prisoner of war. He also talks about early Kerrville and what it was like growing up in the area, including anecdotes about prominent members of the community during these early times.

Cross References:

Texas-Mexico History
Early Kerrville History
Early Kerrville Families
World War II
Privilege Creek
Camp Verde
Morriss Ranch
Real Ranch

Names:

Josè Policarpo Rodriguez
Rev. Emmett Rodriguez
Pancho Villa
Luz Villa

Charles Orr
Nuenhoffer Family
Schreiner Family