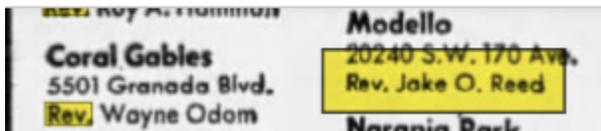


Jake O. Reed (1922-2020) was born in Gainesville, Georgia the son of Henry Brazeal and Ada Bell Reed. He graduated from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. Reed served as pastor of churches in Georgia and Florida including Modello Baptist Church, Miami and First Baptist Church, Key Largo, 1963-1965. He and his wife, Cleo Emma Parham Reed had two children.

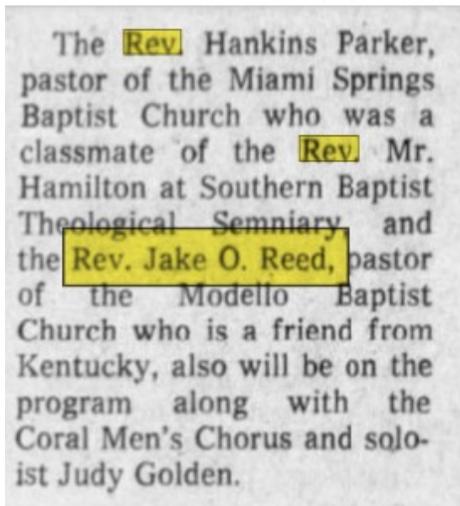
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The church has been led by 20 pastors over its 50+ years. Their names and dates of service are:

Dr. Samuel Lacy ... August 1955 – April 1956
Ivan Felton (Interim) ... April 1956 – September 1956
Rev. Bob Crowe ... October 1956 – August 1959
Rev. Joe Sciame ... September 1959 – December 1962
Dr. Carter (Interim) ... February 1963 – April 1963
Rev. Jake O. Reed ... April 1963 – July 1965
Rev. George Moulton ... December 1965 – July 1967
Rev. Lee Graham ... October 1967 – October 1976
Rev. Dale Bird (Interim) ... November 1976 – March 1977
Rev. Jere Hendricks ... April 1977 – March 1981
Rev. Ralph Acree (Interim) ... March 1981 – December 1981
Rev. Ron Lentine ... December 1981 – July 1987
Rev. Ted Place (Interim) ... October 1987 – May 1988
Rev. Robert Norman, Jr. ... May 1988 – May 1991
Rev. Steve Zahare (Interim) ... May 1991 – November 1992
Rev. Don Houser (Interim) ... November 1992 – January 1993
Rev. Wally Gravlin (Interim) ... January 1993 – July 1998
Rev. Dixie Glisson ... July 1993 – July 1998
Dr. Herschel Creasman (Interim) ... October 1998 – May 1999
Rev. Charles Rosenbalm ... May 1999 – Present

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<https://www.wagesandsons.com/obituaries/reverend-o-reed>
April 28, 1922 — March 30, 2020

Reverend Jake O. Reed, 97, passed away at Brookdale Lawrenceville Assisted Living on March 30, 2020.

He was born in Gainesville, Georgia, and raised in Candler, Georgia. He served in the US Army Air Corps during World War II, and was married to the love of his life, Cleo Parham, for over 70 years.

He earned his undergraduate degree in Textile Engineering at Georgia Tech and worked as an engineer at Lockheed Aircraft Corporation in Marietta, Georgia until he was 35. At that time, God called him to become a minister of the gospel. He earned his undergraduate degree, and a Master's degree in Religious Education at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, and served churches in south Florida and the Atlanta-Lawrenceville area.

He will be greatly missed by his son, Rod Reed (Bobi), his daughter, Regina Rodgers (Hugh), his grandchildren, Meghan Buffat (Josh), Debbie Reed, Emily Elmendorf (Tyler), his great grandchildren, his sister Henrietta, nieces Mary Boswell and Denise Barrett, his nephew, Mike Reed and their families as well as a multitude of other family and friends. We are comforted by the assurance that he now rests with the Lord and can again see Cleo and the family and friends who have gone before him.

Pastor Jake will be buried in a private ceremony next to his wife of 70 years and 8 months in Hall County, Georgia. A virtual service will be streamed by Wages and Sons Funeral Home in Lawrenceville, GA on April 3, 2020 at 11:00 AM. A Celebration of Life service will be planned later this year when conditions permit his family and friends to gather together.



<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/116030854/jake-ore-reed>

Jake Ore Reed

Birth 28 Apr 1922 Gainesville, Hall County, Georgia, USA

Death 30 Mar 2020 (aged 97) Lawrenceville, Gwinnett County, Georgia, USA

Burial Poplar Springs Baptist Church Cemetery Gainesville, Hall County, Georgia, USA

Family Members

Parents Henry Brazeal "Tip" Reed 1895–1984

Ada Bell Reed 1896–1939

Spouse

Cleo Emma Parham Reed 1918–2013 (m. 1943)