

Our Pastors

The following is a list of the Pastors of our church since it was established on April 4, 1904.

Rev. A. V. Reese	1904-1913
Rev. Frank Wells	
Rev. Stanford	
Rev. Rufus Tucker	
Rev. A. C. Camp	
Rev. Obie Revells	1929-1941
Rev. Edward Roehl	1941-1942
Rev. A. C. Pickern	1943
Rev. Hendley F. Jelks	Sept. 1946-Dec. 1946
Rev. Homer Duggar	1946-1947
Rev. T. J. Larkin	1947-1948
Rev. Hendley F. Jelks	1948-1949
Rev. Sexton Hall	1953-1958
Rev. S. A. Coxwell	1958-1972
Rev. Albert Locke	1973-1976
Rev. Walter Chapman	1977-1980
Rev. Charles Morris	1981-1990
Rev. Robert Walker	1991-1998
Rev. John Whaley	2001-Present

First Baptist Church, Crawfordville

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Steve Revell 1889-1909
Cass Peddie 1910-
John Camels
~~Charles Franklin Wells~~
Obie Revell 1918-1938
~~Mac Robinson 1938-1940~~
G. T. Hunt 1940-
T. O. Reese 1946-
H. B. Lytle 1947-1952
Robert G. Taylor 1952-1953
C. R. McMillan 1953-1955
Bob Walker 1956-1957
Jack Lindsey 1957-1960
J. B. Buffington 1961-1963
Bobby Richardson 1963-1966
Bob Johnson 1966-1968
John Smith (Interim) 1968

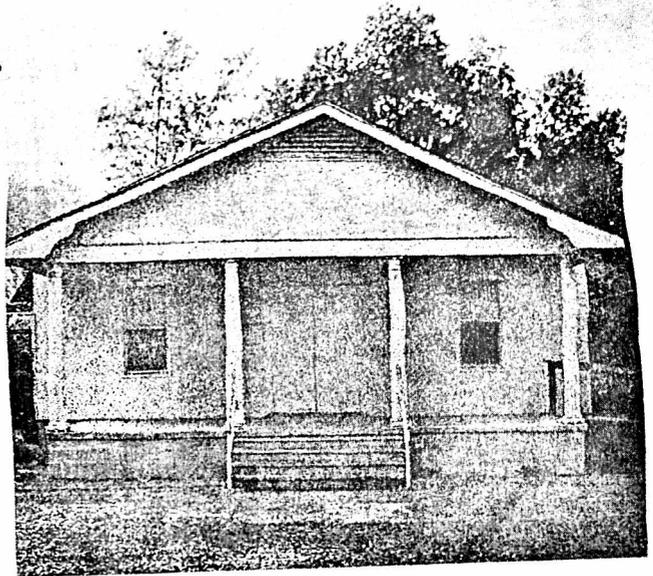
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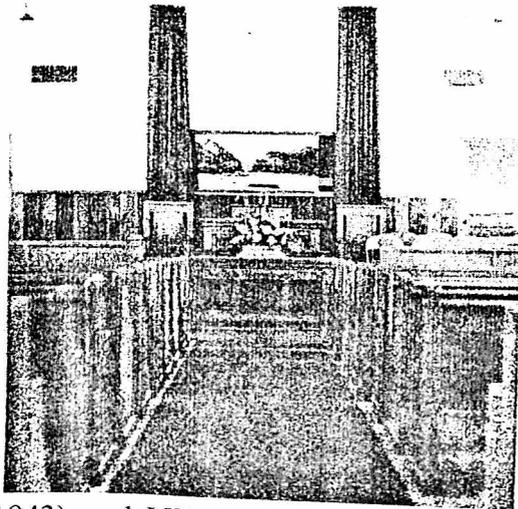
Wallace Green 1968-1969
John Cain 1970-1973
Richard Reasoner 1973-1977
Charles Knight 1977-1979
John T. Smith 1980-1986
Francis Knight (Interim) 1986-1987
Danny McSpaddin 1987-1990
Don L. McCutcheon, Sr. 1990-1993
Francis Knight (Interim) 1993-1994
Roscoe Wentworth 1994-1999
Clyde Roberts (Interim) 1999
Clyde Roberts 2000-2003
Jason Owenby 2003-2006
Dr. Richard Elligson (Interim) 2007-2008
Jeff Gardner 2008-2010
Dr. Jerry Moore (Interim) 2011
Jerry R. Chumley 2011-Present

Looking at the church's needs at that time, the church members saw a need for a pastor and began discussions about building one. A committee was appointed to confer with other churches and seek their help and cooperation. In the meantime, the church purchased its first organ for \$175.00. However, there was also a need for materials to work on the church's steps and for painting the church. The cost of these materials would have put the church \$100.00 in debt. But seeing the need, one member donated the money for the project. Bro. Wells finished his tenure with First Baptist Church in 1926.

In the years 1926 through 1929, as the stock market fell and the world entered into the Great Depression, our community needed a light of faith. During this period, the wood frame church facing west in Woodville called Bro. J.R. Camp to serve as its pastor. At this time, the pastor's monthly salary was \$300.00 plus \$75.00 for transportation expenses. Even though the members of the congregation had little money in their possession, the church community tithed faithfully to support God's work.



The Great Depression continued into 1930 and the church voted to reduce the pastor's salary to \$200.00. At that time, the church called Bro. E.D. Johnson to be the new pastor. Bro. Johnson accepted the call, but only remained for one year.



In 1931, Bro. O.N. Revell accepted the call to become the next pastor. At that point, the church once again re-evaluated the pastor's salary and voted to raise the compensation to \$250.00. During his time as pastor, attempts were made to purchase a piano. A plan was developed to cut some trees around the church and apply the proceeds of the lumber toward the piano. However, after further discussion, it appeared that there would be no profits from the lumber, as the cost of removing the tops of the trees from the church yard would be too high. Therefore, the trees remained.

Pastors from 1934 until 1945 included: R.M. Hall (1934-1936), O.N. Revell (1937), J.A. Connell (1938), E.W. Anderson (1940), W.T. Davis (1941-1943), and J.W. Evens (1944). During these years; the church concentrated on remodeling the facilities and expanding membership.

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Telogia Baptist Church

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TELOGIA BAPTIST CHURCH, 1914-37. Defunct. Telogia, Liberty County.

Constituted 1914. First church erected 1915, destroyed by storm. Last unpainted, square, frame building erected on same site in 1920. First settled and last pastor, Rev. O.N. Revell, 1915-37, Sopchoppy.

HISTORY OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOPCHOPPY

This Church became the Mt. Beasor Missionary Baptist Church in 1873 when 80 members withdrew from the Mt. Beasor Primitive Church which was constituted in 1853. The first church building was erected on a site in West Sopchoppy in 1873 and remained there until 1906 when Mr. John C. Hodge gave a lot in the present City of Sopchoppy and a second church building was constructed. The site was moved to the present City of Sopchoppy because of a shift in the communitiy growth. The building erected in 1906 remained until the present building was constructed in 1967. The church went by the name of Mt. Beasor Baptist Church until 1942 when it was changed to the First Baptist Church of Sopchoppy. In 1964, the first gifts were made to a building fund for the present church building on this third site. In 1965, the church voted to build, and on December 17, 1967, the first service were held in the new building. However, Sunday School and Church Training were not held in the new building until February 11, 1968, when every part of the building was completed. The present building was dedicated on February 25, 1968. The new educational wing was completed the first part of 1982 and was dedicated on March 21, 1982.

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PASTORS WHO SERVED AT SOPCHOPPY FIRST
Approximately 1900 - 1983

Rev. Lewis Roberts (Mr. Johnnie Roberts Uncle)	
Rev. Steve Revell	
Rev. Judah	1921-1923.
Rev. O. N. Revell (son of Rev. Steve Revell)	1924-1927
Rev. G. E. Holifield	1927-1928
Rev. Frank Bancroft	1928
Rev. O. N. Revell (Former Pastor)	1929-1934
Rev. L. E. Goodgame	1935-1936
Rev. A. V. Pickern	1937-1938
Rev. O. N. Revell (Former Pastor)	1938-1942
Rev. Homer Duggar	1942-1943
Rev. Virgil T. Smith	1944
Rev. C. J. Johnson	1945-1946
Rev. John E. Pelham, Sr.	1947
Rev. Ralph Rittenhouse, Sr.	1948-1953
Rev. Truett Smith	1954
Rev. DeWitt Cox	1955-Sept. 1957
Rev. Homer Duggar (Former Pastor)	Oct. 1957-Oct. 1960
Rev. Ted Rodda	1960-1962
Rev. O. G. Hall	Feb. 1963-Sept. 1969
Rev. Glenn Lawhon	June 1970-Aug. 1977
Rev. D. O. Goss	March 1978-Oct. 1982
Rev. Harold J. Crosson (interim)	Nov. 1982-Apr. 1983
Rev. Darrel Smith	May 1983-June 1986
Rev. Henry Jones	April 1987-Present

