

Revels, Owen J. (1838-1913) served as pastor of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, McAlpin in 1894, Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church and Macedonia Baptist Church, Lee. He and his wife, Mary Elizabeth Casentiner Revels had five children.

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Owen J. Revels

Birth 20 Oct 1838

Death 26 Jun 1913 (aged 74)

Burial Philadelphia Baptist Church Cemetery McAlpin, Suwannee County, Florida, USA

Inscription

"Mason"

Family Members

Spouse

Mary Elizabeth Casentiner Revels 1845–1919

Children

Lemuel Commodore "L. C." Revels 1867–1902

Manning Wesley Revels 1872–1945

Lillie Valeria Victoria Revels 1875–1950

John O. Revels 1878–1952

Callie Dona Revels Walker 1882–1958



Pleasant Hill Church 1982

mained unmarked for many years. The church placed a simple marker on her grave a few years ago. It would have been a shame if future generations didn't know she had been here.

Gladys Starling Murphy is the other Priscilla. She also provided lodging for the pastor and many visiting preachers. She too played the piano during a time when piano players were hard to find. Later her daughter Wilma took her place. At one time she took the pastors wife into her home and nursed her during an illness. She moved out of the community several years ago but visits the church occasionally.

The church has two deacons, H. L. and J. C. Prevatt. Both have served many years. J. C. Prevatt is also the church sexton.

Many have thought that Pleasant Hill was on the way to oblivion. God has not seen it thus. He has up-held his church for a hundred years. We believe that it will still be here when he comes to receive his own. We know this will be so if we continue in his will.

PLEASANT HILL CHURCH STATISTICS

YEAR	PASTOR	CLERK	NO. MEMBERS
1890	D. F. Ward	C. M. Bailey	47
1892	D. F. Ward	W. O. Leggett	51
1893	D. F. Ward	W. W. Leggett	52
1894	O. J. Revels	W. W. Leggett	52
1895	R. E. Parnel	W. W. Leggett	59
1896	No report From Church		
1897	No report From Church		
1898	R. D. Turner	No Clerk Reported	
1899	J. F. Tatum	R. D. Turner	39
1900	J. F. Tatum	D. F. Jenkins	35
1901	No report given to association		
1902	No report given to association		
1903	No report given to association		
1904	No report given to association		
1905	B. D. Harrell	Robert Law	24
1906	No reports or records		
1907	No reports or records		
1908	No reports or records		
1909	No reports or records		
1910	No reports or records		
1911	No reports or records		
1912	W. H. Holmes	J. W. Jenkins	23
1913	W. H. Holmes	J. W. Jenkins	29
1914	W. H. Holmes	J. W. Jenkins	55
1915	No Pastor	J. W. Jenkins	75
1916	T. L. Peacock	J. W. Jenkins	68
1917	T. L. Peacock	G. R. Carver	
1918	T. L. Peacock	G. T. Douglas	62

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completed that year and was dedicated on Sunday, October 21, 1876. The Sunday School rooms of the present Church is the building, which stood at that time, between the present building and the highway.

The new part of the main sanctuary of the present building was constructed in 1927 and 1928 and dedicated on January 26, 1930. This building was made possible through the benevolence of the late W.C. Wells of Madison, whose memory will always be cherished. The Williams Family and E. E. West donated the land for the Church and cemetery. Later, Mrs. C. M. Ragans gave two acres. The pastorium now occupies part of that land. The pastorium consists of seven rooms and was dedicated April 4, 1954. It was constructed during the pastorate of Rev. P.O. Elrod.

As previously stated, Brother H. M. Frier was the first Pastor. He served Macedonia faithfully for more than 20 years. Brother Frier also served as Moderator of the Florida Association for seven years and was a Charter Member of three different churches. (Redland Baptist Church in Lowndes County, GA., Pine Grove (Piney) Baptist Church and Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, both churches are in Madison County.)

Other Pastors include:

T. P. Webb	A. M. Parker	A. L. Croy
F. M. Wells	A. N. Woodard	C. W. Crim
O. J. Revels	A. H. Townsend	E. L. Gurr
John Farnell	J. A. Nichols	A. C. McLain
J. L. Rutherford	Ed. McCullum	R. A. Kelly
S. S. Proctor	R. L. Williams	R. B. Reynolds
R. L. Hacker	M. T. Fowler	Lamar Harris
I. R. Clements	E. A. Milton	Travis English
J. J. Simmons	Ben Perry	Dozier Sapp
S. A. Cross	P. G. Elrod	Ray Etherton
M. T. Fowler	DeWitt Cox	Charles Clemons
S. G. Ward	L. F. Lafferty	Glenn Luttrell
A. R. Powell	Ralph Beasley	Michael Turner
A. W. Smith	John Hutcherson	David Johns

Some 42 Pastors have faithfully served the Macedonians. In January 2006, after a few months of supply. David Johns arrived from Clewiston, Fl as the 43rd Pastor, and is currently serving.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Beulah 1899

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.	When Organized.	Memberships	Changes					Present Membership.	Pastor's Salary and other Expenses.	Value of Church Building.	Value of Church Property.
				Last Year.	Increase by Baptism.	Increase by Letter.	Increase by Restoration.	Decrease by Letter.	Decrease by Exclusion.					Decrease by Death.
Elim.....	S. N. Proctor.....	T. W. Getzon, Ft. White.....	.....	0	0	0	0	4	1	117	155 00		
Ft. White.....	Stephen Crockett.....	A. J. Green, Ft. White.....	1887	0	0	0	1	0	0	36	215 00	1000 00	1000 00
Philippi.....	S. G. Barnett.....	P. D. Vinzant, Mikesville.....	1877	40	0	0	0	1	0	48	50 00	400 00	500 00
Mt. Beulah.....	<u>O. J. Revels</u>	G. P. Howell, Leona.....	.....	104	0	0	0	0	0	105	56 00	600 00	600 00
Lake Butler.....	R. F. Rogers.....	J. G. Purvis, Lake Butler.....	.....	106	6	13	0	12	2	113	1,282 00	1200 00	1300 00
Providence.....	B. R. Moseley.....	G. W. Bailey, Mason.....	1822	5	2	0	0	0	1	102	165 00	600 00	600 00
Lake City.....	M. M. Wamboldt.....	A. B. Brown, Lake City.....	.....	127	3	4	1	5	1	125	550 00	10,000 00	10,000 00
1st Baptist, Providence.....	S. G. Barnett.....	C. C. Odom, Providence.....	1897	68	0	0	0	1	0	75	300 00	1000 00	1000 00
Oak Grove.....	D. O. Rivers.....	J. D. Kite,.....	.....	3	1	1	2	3	0	57	14 00		
Mt. Pleasant.....	J. O. Harris.....	Geo. F. Griffin, Welborn.....	.....	1	1	1	14	1	1	64	75 00	700 00	700 00
Smyrna.....	D. O. Rivers.....	A. C. Boatright, Corinth.....	1898	8	1	0	0	0	1	9	8 00		
Mt. Carmel.....	R. E. Parnell.....	C. P. Montague,.....	1899	7	7	1	0	0	0	27			

Mt. Zion, New Prospect and Hopeful failed to send letters.

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1915. In its early years Mt. Pisgah became a member of Suwannee Association church withdrew from Suwannee and united with Little River Association in 1915. Little River was dissolved in 1917 and this church returned its membership to Suwannee Association of which it is still a member.

Layton Available records show that Mt. Pisgah has ordained Jack Shaw and Layton Daughtry to the Gospel Ministry and has licensed Byron Daughtry to preach the gospel. Today Mt. Pisgah is proud to be a full time Southern Baptist Church with a Sunday School, Church Training and WMU. The Sunday School department was organized in September 25, 1938, and is still teaching the Christian way. Church training and WMU have been intermittent. They were last reorganized under the leadership of Rev. John B. Benefield in the fall of 1975 and have been operating since that time. The Brother

WMU
John B. was recently discontinued.

The following men are listed as having been Pastors of Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church:

John M. Caldwell	R. W. Henery
Rev. Fleming	O. G. Owens
Johnnie Holmes	S. E. Sims
J. F. Tatum	Oscar Thomas
<u>Owen Revels</u>	Paul Stewart
W. T. Newsome	Ben Borders
H. A. Jordan	J. C. Wright
W. H. Holmes	B. A. Rakestraw
Gus Padgett	W. C. Hall
C. J. Bruner	G. W. Kinard
A. S. Jones	Layton Daughtry
E. H. Holcomb	Dewey Waldron
A. N. Woodard	John B. Benefield
C. F. Holmes	T. J. Santerfeit
W. B. Listen	Ray Shaw
Raymond Roberts	Wayne Tope

Several of these men have served two or more pastorates at this church.

The record shows William Clayton Crews as having served as deacon for the longest period of time, from 1932 to the present. On September 19, 1980, the church presented Brother Crews with a silver tray engraved with his name as Deacon Emeritus. Mrs. Carris Carter is shown as having served for the longest time as Church Clerk twelve years, 1964 to 1978. The next longest service was that of H. T. Howell who served a total of eleven years although intermittently.

Church
Clerk
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Church Events to which the church looks forward each year are Homecoming on the third Sunday of April, the annual Sing of the Suwannee County Singing Convention on the third Sunday in June for which Mt. Pisgah serves as host church and the annual Church Sing on the first Saturday night in October.

Under the leadership of its present pastor, Wayne Tope, Mt. Pisgah is looking forward for great things in the belief that the best is yet to come.

rose Lovingly submitted in memory of Him who died on the Cross of Calvary and again to be KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

prevail "Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."