

1950 property value is listed at \$1,324.25. Minutes reflect that Mr. D. Kilpatrick was pastor. Mr. Beck and Mrs. Jarvis retained their positions and Agee Dove is treasurer. Messengers to the association meeting were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Steele. Membership had grown to 107.

Rev. James A. Rogers was pastor in 1951 at a salary of \$1677. There were 100 members. In the only change in positions, Mrs. Agee Dove succeeded Mrs. Jarvis as clerk.

In 1952, there were 80 resident members; 20 non-resident. Mr. W. M. Ward is listed as having died during that church year. Mr. Rogers remained pastor.

He was succeeded by Mr. L. J. Watson, Mr. Ralph Sasser, Mr. W. W. Leverett, and Mr. Harvey Lee English.

In 1960, Mr. Carnie E. Smith pastored the church that now had 174 members. His annual salary was \$3,125. There were 17 baptisms. Raymond Norris was superintendent of the Sunday School that had a total enrollment of 127. Billy Reeves directed the Training Union that had 77 enrolled. Church value was listed at \$9,600.

Minister of music was Dewitt Dove and Mrs. R. H. Spence headed the W.M.U. Treasurer was R. H. Spence; clerk, Mrs. Herman Hassebrock.

Messengers to the association were Mr. N. E. Davis, Mrs. Dewitt Dove and Mrs. Hassebrock.

In 1961, Mr. Emory Rogers was pastor and membership was up to 182. Messengers were Mrs. Raymond Norris, Mrs. Dewitt Dove, Mrs. Ernest Bartley and Mrs. George Darby.

Association minutes list Mr. Jasper Ward, a deacon, as deceased.

Property value was listed as \$3,600 for the pastor's home and \$7,600 for the church.

In 1962, a deed for the church and cemetery was given by the St. Regis Co. through the efforts of The Davisville Community Club, no other deed being on record for the ownership of the church, land and cemetery.

Rev. Marion McKinley is listed as pastor in 1964, '65 and '66 at a salary of \$3,640. There were 185 members in '64 and 194 in '65 and '66. All three years there were 75 members in the Sunday School. Mr. F. C. Faircloth was superintendent. Mr. Earl Stabler is listed as "other minister in the church" that first year.

Messengers in 1964 were Mrs. Dewitt Dove, George Dardy and Mrs. Ernest Dartley. Mr. Henry Davis is listed "in memoriam." In 1965, Annette Hassebrock, Ruth Norris and Laura Cook were messengers. Mrs. Bertha Smith died in 1965, Mr. Albert Albritton in '66.

Chairman of deacons was Agee Dove in 1964, Dewitt Dove in 1865. For the three years, Mrs. Fernie Faircloth was treasurer; Mrs. H. J. Hassebrock clerk for two and was followed by Mrs. Ernest Bartley.

From 1961 through 1966, minutes show that Dewitt Dove was minister of music.

There is no listing for 1967, nor is there a pastor listed for 1968. In that year however, there was a listing of \$4,500 for salary. Total property value was \$12,000.

Messengers were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Silcox, and Mrs. R. Norris.

Mrs. Evie Ward, Mr. Lige Ward, Mr. J. K. McLeod and Mr. Liventon Hayes are listed "in memoriam."

With 200 members, Mr. Faircloth continued as Sunday School superintendent, and Mrs. Bartley as clerk. Chairman of deacons was Herman Hassebrock and Mrs. Opal Faircloth was treasurer. Music director was W. E. Cook.

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Davisville

WELCOME REV. ROGERS

**KLONDIKE BAPTIST
CHURCH WELCOMES
AS ITS NEW PASTOR**

REV. EMORY W. ROGERS, SR.

THIS SUNDAY OCT. 29

**REV. EMORY W.
ROGERS, SR.**

OUR NEW PASTOR:

REV. EMORY W. ROGERS, SR., 1301 DEXTER AVENUE, Warrington Florida has held pastorates at the New Bethel Baptist Church of Jay, Florida and the Oak Grove Baptist Church of Atmore, Alabama. He has also served as Interim Pastor for the North Hill Baptist Church of Pensacola and the First Baptist Church of Ensley Florida.

He has served a number of churches in this association as interim-pastor, doing this type of work by request. He is a native of Georgia but has

been a business man in the city of Pensacola for over twenty years.

Rev. Rogers attended the public schools of Savannah, Georgia. He joined the First Baptist Church of Pensacola in 1945 and has served as Training Union Director, Sunday School Teacher, Deacon and has served in other various capacities. His service to the Oak Grove Baptist Church during the last two years resulted in continued growth for the church, a planned building program and other wholesome activities.

**MORNING: SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00
WORSHIP 11:00**

**EVENING: TRAINING UNION 6:00
WORSHIP 7:00**

WEDNESDAY SERVICE 7:00 P.M.

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FUNERAL HOME**

ROGERS
Rev. Emory Wade Rog-
ers, Sr., 79, of 1301 Dexter

of Ave. died Friday.

Rev. Rogers was a na-
tive of Savannah, Ga. and
had resided in Pensacola
since 1942. He was a re-
tired Baptist Minister, a
member of the First Bap-
tist Church and the Mas-
ter Workman Sunday
School Class, and Deacon
Emeritus.

Survivors include his
wife Elva Smith Rogers
of Pensacola; two sons,
Rev. Emory W. Rogers,
Jr. of Laurel, Miss. and
Ramon Rogers of San
Marcos, Texas and a
daughter, Carol Ann Holt
of Roanoke, Va.; a
brother, Benjamin F.
Rogers of Savannah, Ga.
and two sisters; Ernestine
Bechard of Sebring,
Fl. and Emma Beal Pate
of Greensboro, N.C. and
six grandchildren.

Funeral services will
be held Monday at 10:00
a.m. in the Chapel of Wa-
ters & Hibbert with Rev.
E.W. Rogers, Jr. officiat-
ing.

Burial will be in Bay-
view Cemetery with Wa-
ters & Hibbert directing.

Pallbearers will be Da-
vid Raley, Ben Hultman,
Joe Ladner, Ed Holt,
Tom Wash and Charles
Bryant.

REVIVAL

January 23 Thru January 30

7:30 P.M.

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REV. WADE ROGERS

PASTOR

CRYSTAL SPRINGS
BAPTIST CHURCH

of

TYLERTOWN, MISS.
SPEAKING NIGHTLY

- **REV. EMORY ROGERS, PASTOR**
- **DARWIN STEELE, MUSIC DIRECTOR**

REV. WADE ROGERS

PINE FOREST BAPTIST CHAPEL

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Pine Forest Becomes Church

Pine Forest Baptist Chapel will be constituted an independent Southern Baptist Church Sunday, according to the Rev. Emory Rogers, pastor.

The church, one mile south of Interstate 10 on Pine Forest Road, was established in 1964 by the Rev. Jack Sutley. Twenty-three persons gathered in a vacant building Oct. 4, 1964, for the first meeting of the chapel.

The organization was accepted as a mission of Brownsville Baptist Church in December 1964, through efforts of the Pensacola Bay Baptist Association. Land was acquired and a building moved to the site.

Bellview Baptist Church accepted the mission from Brownsville in 1967. A new building was dedicated in March 1971.

Current church enrollment is 74.

Oak Grove Baptist Church will observe homecoming Sunday at 10:30 a.m. with the **Rev. Emory Rogers**, pastor, delivering the morning message. Dinner and a community sing will follow the worship service. . . .

Rogers to Talk At Cottage Hill

The **Rev. Emory Rogers**, pastor, will deliver the homecoming message at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Cottage Hill Baptist Church.

There will be dinner on the grounds.

The church is located on William Ditch Road about three miles north of Cantonment and a mile east of Highway 95A.

New Hope Primitive Baptist Church

New Hope Primitive Baptist Church was organized in 1872 by the leadership of Father Alex Jackson, who served as pastor for many years for a school. While being burned. A tragedy that we



Elder Michael C. Smith, Sr.

The structure was destroyed on 14Apr1991. This new structure we joyfully worship today, was completed in 1997.

pastors have served the church in these 131 years. They were: Rev. J. Shelton, E.P.P. Watson, Crenshaw, J.B. Bryant, Chatman, George Z. Abraham, Steele, G.W. Gibson, S.O. Dixon, G. W. Harden, Edmonds, C.C. Kennedy, R.N. Gooden, J.L. Minter, H.C. Middleton, and Sam Pettway.

On 01May1997, Elder Michael C. Smith, Sr. of Pensacola, Florida, called as pastor. He was installed 01Jun1997. With Elder Smith, New Hope is on the move, because we walk by faith and not sight. New Hope exists for the double purpose of gathering in sending out.

Deacon David Harris is chairman of deacons, Bro. Houston Harris, chairman of trustees, and Sister Edith Joyce Page, Church Clerk.

Submitted by: Edith Joyce Page, 142 Straughn Road, Moltisno, FL 32577. Source: Church History.

Northwest Florida Baptist Children's Home

The Swilley residence of the Northwest Florida Baptist Children's Home, located at 1000 Chemstrand Road in Pensacola, was dedicated Saturday, 28 April 2001. Following the pouring of the 5,500 square-foot brick structure, several hundred Baptists celebrated the culmination of a dream.



Northwest Florida Baptist Children's Home, 1000 Chemstrand Road, Pensacola

A 1995 gift from the Pensacola Bay Baptist Association, the purchase of the 20 acre campus by the Lakeland based Florida Baptist Children's Home, a non-profit organization founded in 1904. The Pensacola home is one of seven residential facilities across the state.

The residence was named in honor of Novis and Virginia Swilley, benefactors. Creighton Heights Baptist Church also contributed a building in memory of Melrose Coleman, wife of their former pastor, Melrose Coleman. Individuals, Sunday School classes, WMU groups, and churches provided furnishings. The front entrance sign was a

Support comes from various sources. In addition to gifts from individuals and businesses, Florida Baptist churches contribute through the Cooperative Program and each year receive a Children's Home offering on Mother's Day.

Plans for future development of the Northwest Florida Campus include two additional residences, plus a multi-purpose activities and office facility.

Submitted by: Judith R. Jolly, 8588 Belle Meadow Blvd., Pensacola, FL 32514. Sources: FL Baptist Children's Homes publications; personal knowledge.

Oak Grove Baptist Church

Oak Grove Baptist Church, 2600 North Highway 99, was organized in 1883 in a log schoolhouse. The membership included the Jacob Godwins, Jim Merritts, Enoch Brays, Mrs. Caroline Godwin, and Mrs. Rebecca Godwin Weckley. Rev. John McAnally, the first pastor, conducted worship services once a month.



Oak Grove Baptist Church

The first building, finished in 1903, faced south and was located close to Pine Barren Creek. The second building was constructed near the location of the present education building.

Originally a member of the Elim, AL Association, the church joined the Pensacola Bay Baptist Association in 1908 and hosted the 1909 Annual Session. Brethren Eddins, Buchannon, Hall, Agerton, Rigby, and Godwin were delegates.

Rev. J. Tom Fillingim began his pastorate ca 1890 and remained for 10 years. Among others who served were Rev. Charlie Beal, Rev. Emory Rogers, Rev. Terrell Lanton, and Rev. Keith Langham. The current pastor is Rev. Larry Gilley.

The present brick sanctuary, built on land deeded by Mr. and Mrs. Jess Godwin, was dedicated in 1939. A choir loft, baptistry, and Sunday School rooms have since been added. In 1992 the education building, with a large fellowship hall and kitchen, was completed. The bell in the front yard, once mounted on a locomotive, was a gift from Andy Driscoll, a railroad worker.

Oak Grove Cemetery, where many of the founders of the church and community were laid to rest, is located across the highway on land donated by Jacob Godwin. A special offering for maintenance of the cemetery is received each third Sunday in May when the people gather for Homecoming.

Submitted by: Billy Darby, 4350 Gobbler Road, Century, FL 32535. Sources: Church and Association (Elim and Pensacola Bay) Records; Personal Knowledge.

Brief history

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The six churches responding were Milton, Union Hill, Mitchell's Creek, New Macedonia, Pensacola, and Canoe Bluff. They met 11-12-1887, elected officers, and adopted a constitution and by-laws.

Twelve delegates represented 318 members. Today, 115 years later, 72 congregations and over 49,000 members from Escambia County and Gulf Breeze cooperate to accomplish their shared goals.

Associational missionaries before 1900 included William Edwards, J.E. Holley, W.M. Rabb, and H.A. Guinn, who was provided a horse on which to travel from church to church. J.W. Senterfitt,