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BRADFORDVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

In the spring of 1974, it was determined by Thomasville Road Baptist Church that a mission should be established in the north east area of Tallahassee, due to the rapid increase in the development of this area. The first site chosen for a meeting place was in "the old red school house" on Bradfordville Road. This was used until a building was given to the group by the Cherokee Plantation. In the meantime, 5 acres of property was found and purchased and is located on Thomasville Road on which the Bradfordville Baptist Church stands today. The Cherokee building was moved to that location and was dedicated on October 10, 1980 on the Bradfordville Baptist Chapel. This was accomplished thru the efforts of Rev. Bill Willoughby, Betty Fuller and a small group of committed members. The first pastor to serve was Rev. Morris Rowe, followed by Rev. Billy Harper, Rev. Bill Willoughby, all serving as bi-vocational pastors. Then Thomasville Road Baptist church called Rev. Ronald Leggett as the first full time pastor.

On February 10, 1985, Bradfordville Baptist Chapel was constituted as a church and became Bradfordville Baptist Church. Rev. Arnold Medina was the first pastor and served as a bi-vocational pastor until January, 1992. Rev. Don Long was called to serve as bi-vocational pastor on June 1, 1992. Dr. Ed Lyon came to serve as Music Director on June 1, 1993.

At this time we have Sunday school for all ages, worship services on Sunday nights and Wednesday nights. Mrs. Ronda Lane serves as our Youth Director. A building committee is now studying the plans and working towards a new building which will house a larger sanctuary and added Sunday School space. Church membership is now 130 members.