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**Shirley, Robert** served as pastor of Six Mile Pond Baptist Church, Zephyrhills (now Westside), 1959.

# **HISTORY OF WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH**

aka Six Mile Pond, Zephyrhills

*The history of Westside goes back many years beyond what we have records or information. In 1953, Six Mile Pond Baptist Church had a rebirth and began to organize.*

*July 6, 1960, as recorded in the church minutes, the church's name was changed to Westside. At this time, there was one wooden building on the property. This building served as the sanctuary and later as an educational building.*

*During the 1970's, the church build a pastorium and a new sanctuary.*

*In 1984, the church sold the pastorium and built another one in Lake Bernadette. The church also built a new educational building.*

*In the 1990's, Westside had helped sponsor two new works, Agape Baptist Church, and Jericho Baptist mission.*

## **Some of the Pastors and the years they served:**

Rev. C.E. Wade	1953-1954
Rev. W.C. Saddler	1954-1955
Rev. Nathan Bennett	1955
Rev. A.H. Pridgeon	1956-1957
Rev. J.E. Kicklighter	1957-1959
Rev. <b>Bob Shirley</b>	1959
Rev. Robert Weaver	1959-1963
Rev. Milford J. Dennison	1963
Rev. Kenneth Tucker	1963-1964
Rev. John Davis	1965-1966
Rev. Orville R. Moyer	1966-1969
Rev. Pete Hall	1969-1970 (Interim)
Rev. John Huff	1970-1971 (Interim)
Rev. Joe Lawhorne	1971-1974
Rev. Edward Samples	1975-1976
Rev. Jack Yelvington	1977-1979
Rev. Virgil Choate	1979-1980 (Interim)
Dr. John Masters, Jr.	1980-1995
Dr. William Moyle	1995-1996 (Interim)
Dr. Dean Reule	1996-1997
Rev. Robert L. McKinney	1997-present

***May God continue to keep His people at Westside in the center of His will.***

## **During the course of this year we have lost two Pastors:**

***Rev. Joe Lawhorne, who served at this church from 1971-1974, on Feb. 22, 2002 went home to be with the Lord.***

***Rev. Jim Ketchum, on Aug. 2002 went home to be with the Lord.***