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Smith, Clarence H. served as pastor of Gadara Baptist Church, in 1960. **Smith, Cornelius E.** (1919-2010) was born in Aiken County, South Carolina the son of Bennett Perry and Seabelle Thomas Smith. He graduated from the Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, 1967. Smith served as pastor of First Baptist Church, Hudson. He and his wife, Helen Smith had three sons.

Hudson Baptist Church Starts Program Sunday

The First Baptist Church of Hudson will have a series of seven religious programs, starting tomorrow at the 11 a.m. service, the **Rev. Cornelius E. Smith**, pastor, said.

Along with the 11 a.m. Sunday program, there will be a special at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow.

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Reverend Cornelius Emanuel Smith, Sr., 91, of Port Richey, Florida, formerly of Greenwood, died June 30, 2010. He was born June 20, 1919 in Aiken County, South Carolina to the late Bennett Perry and Seabelle Thomas Smith. In 1963, he surrendered to God's call to the ministry and moved to Graceville, FL to attend Baptist Bible Institute, now known as Baptist College of Florida. In September 1967, he moved to Hudson, FL, where he pastored the First Baptist Church of Hudson, serving over 16 years. Upon retirement, he moved back to Greenwood and served as interim pastor of several churches, returning to Florida in 1995. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Jasmine Lakes in Port Richey. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 66 years, Helen, and by his sons William Ira Smith and Bennett Perry Smith. He is survived by his son Cornelius E. Smith, Jr. (Kim) of Hudson, four grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.