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Steele, Albert R. served as pastor of Pine Barron Baptist Church, Davisville.

In 1925, C. A. Davis succeeded L. E. Dove as clerk, however, Mr. Dove continued as Sunday School superintendent through 1932. Clerk in 1926 was Henry Davis and in 1927, W. L. Mims, who retained that position through 1929.

The effects of the Great Depression were reflected in expenses listed for pastor dropped and when there was no pastor retained in 1929 or 1930. Whereas in 1928 the salary had been \$70.42, in 1931 it was \$34.45 and in 1932, \$20.95.

Mr. C. M. Agee served as pastor both in 1931 and in 1932.

Membership was up to 130 in 1933, and preaching Sunday was listed as The 47th annual session of Pensacola Bay Association minutes show the church, with 130 members, met on the fourth Sunday. The pastor, Mr. Agee, was paid \$25.30. Mr. Dove was superintendent of the Sunday School with 63 members, Robert Stone was clerk and Mrs. Ruth Baker, treasurer. At that time, the church building and grounds were valued at \$1,000.

Membership of 125 remained steady in 1935 and '36 but dropped one in 1937. The pastor of the first of those two years was G. C. Ellis, paid \$32.84 and \$38.64, who was succeeded by W. W. Leverette in 1937. His salary was \$34.59. Ruth Baker was listed as clerk. Sunday School superentindent was W. T. Dockens followed by L. E. Dove in 1936. Treasurer was Alex Davis in 1936 followed by Obie Dove. Church value remained at \$1,000.

The 1938 directory lists Ruth Baker continuing as clerk and Obie Dove as treasurer. D. Kilpatrick of Panama City was listed as active pastor of the church. Records presented show Mr. Leverette was minister in the annual report of the previous year. Membership was 125 in one report, 107 in another.

Those records confirm 1900 as the year that the then current church building was constructed. It lists materials as "wood," and a value of \$1,000.

Mrs. Katherine Ward is listed among the year's dead.

In 1939, the church was reorganized. For that year and the next, D. A. Foreman is listed as pastor. Membership was listed as 46 the first year, and 57 in 1940. Ruth Baker continued as clerk, and C. A. Davis, treasurer the first year, was followed by J. M. Ward.

There is no pastor listed for 1941 through 1948 and church membership of 56 in 1942 shows a drop to 35 in 1944 and 55 in 1946. 1944 records indicate Mr. Dove was Sunday School superintendent and Mrs. Rosa Padgett clerk. She was replaced in 1946 by Mrs. Gladys Jarvis. Mr. Sidney Jarvis was treasurer that year.

In 1947 association minutes, Mr. E. C. Kimmons replaces Mr. Dove as Sunday School superintendent and Miss Wilma Jean Reid is clerk. S. E. Jarvis is listed as treasurer.

In 1949, the church building was blown off of its blocks during a severe storm and a concrete block building was erected on the site and is used today. Minutes show the sum of \$817 spent on the new building. At the time of the dedication of the new church, Mr. Albert R. Steele, of Pensacola, is listed as pastor and there were 64 resident members and 35 non-resident. C.A. Beck was Sunday School Superintendent, Gladys Jarvis again clerk and Ruth Baker, treasurer. Mr. Ed Bryars is listed under "Our Beloved Dead."

Messengers to the Association meeting were Buth Baker, Mrs. A. R. Steele, Manda Miller, Alma Beck and Gray Davis. Alternates were listed as Lonnie Miller and Mary Davis.

A parsonage was built on land aquired from Leon Dove, and additional land was acquired from Mrs. Lottie Tennant to enlarge the cemetery.

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