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**Strickland, Ray Y.** served as pastor of First Baptist Church, Raiford.

# First Baptist Church, Raiford

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week later at the Raiford First Baptist Church. He has done a great service to his Lord and has led many souls to accept Jesus as their Savior.

While James Henderson was pastor from January 3, 1994 to January 12, 1997, both of his sons committed their lives to preach the gospel. The oldest son, Rick, who is attending Florida Baptist Theological College, was licensed to preach while he was a member of this church.

Pastors serving the Raiford First Baptist Church have been: Sam Proctor, G. W. S. Ware, Dr. Peelman, William Malphus, Bonham Johns, Rev. Johnson, Rev. Overstreet, J. Tom Barnes, Rev. Kickliter, Rev. Morris, L. G. Hemingway, Rev. Leyes, Rev. Wilkes, S. J. Morgan, J. G. Knight, Ray Y. Strickland, William Wilson (served twice), John T. James, C. B. Stallings, Dolphus Wilkes, Allen Price, Joseph McCullough, Jack Stolte, Aaron Singletary, Henry Jones, Hugh Walters, Johnny Guilbert, Ronnie Kinsaul, Stephen Haskell, John Ross, Tom Bowling, Jack Whitley, Gary McCoach, James Henderson, James Coward, Sebby Volge, and Stephen Bowman.

We would like to pay tribute to our deceased deacons who gave their all in service to their Lord: Colonel H. Hunter; Johnny Yarbrough, H. W. Raiford, Henry Thornton, Warren B. Bloodsworth, J. M. Conner, John Godwin, W. W. Carter, Charley Redding, J. M. Bradley, Harvey Williams, John G. Sapp, Drew C. Sweat, Ellery Redding, Arthur Crews, Hugh Rahn and John E. Ross.

Current active deacons are: Monroe Kitler and Robert Faulkner.



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