

Several events led to the formation of Emory Heights Baptist Church. James and Nelson (Foot) Wyrick were brothers who moved here from Laurel Bluff area. There was no church here at the time, so Nelson and James cleared some land below where the church is now; with friends from Laurel Bluff, and some holiness people from down in the hollow, they started having some Brush Arbor Meetings in 1914. Wooden planks were used on blocks, or tree stumps, for the seating of the congregation, when they weren't shouting and praising the Lord. The article goes on to say that the

setting was rustic, but the beliefs were of the same strength that has carried the church through those early days to the active church it is today. Within a fairly short time, the folks that gathered in the clearing decided they wanted to build a church, to add a physical security to the spiritual bond they already shared. Everyone in the community worked to establish the new church. Area residents often worked way into the night on building the church, while many of the women folk were busy gathering the furnishings they would need. It is possible that James Wyrick helped him during the first two years. There are also roll books with his name mentioned. James was the first Pastor of South Harriman Baptist Church in 1907.



Early Church of 1915 through at least the 1920's



Church seen from Ralph Sensaboy and present Billy Barry's place in 1968

There was so much shouting and praising God that many area folk called it Happy Top! We are not sure where the Emory Heights originated. Some say it was named after SK Emory since he donated the land for the church; however, that proved to be false because an early deed from the courthouse states that the land 40 feet by 50 feet was donated for the sum of 1 dollar to be used for religious and education purposes by E. N. Wyrick on July 31, 1915. Some of the earlier Deeds stated Happy Top Baptist Church

but the earliest mention was called Emory Heights Missionary Baptist Church. Nelson was the first Pastor of Emory Heights. The deed states that in 1915 the transfer of land was between E.N. Wyrick to Frank Scarbrough and James Wright, the first Deacons and Trustees of Emory Heights Missionary Baptist Church. Nelson Wyrick became the first pastor of Emory Heights and was nicknamed Foot Wyrick because he was a man with huge feet.



The hard work and dedicated hearts proved successful, and on September 23, 1915, the church was completed and dedicated. Some of the charter members were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scarbrough, Mrs. John Reynolds, Miss Maggie Pollard, and Mr. and Mrs. Josh Whalen.

In a few short years, 1923, a Sunday School Class at Emory Heights was documented in the Roane County News. There appears to be just over 100 in the picture. The amazing thing that sticks out is they must have had a church family mentality because the same ones that

worship together had a love for each other, and most of them are buried in the cemetery beside the church. There were some of them that bought lots in the cemetery to later return to be buried there. It was home to them even though they went to other areas to work. They planned to one day return. The names below that are underlined are laid to rest in the old cemetery. Some of the family names of our early church were Bob Bryanton, Bill Davidson, John Davis, Mr. Ballew, Claude Adkission, Johnny Farr, Bob Estes ,Will Wright, Frank Scarbrough, John Mee, George Turpin, Fred Gaylon, Oliver Wright, Lon Mee, Annie Davidson, Sammie Estes, Eunice Raymond who was the pianist until Lon Duff started playing; Martha Howard, Bonnie Taylor sister of Jim Jenkins, Blanch Wright, Margaret Burns, Callie Turpin mother of George Turpin a formal pastor, Della Adkission, Stella and Vada Adkission, Amilda Farr Taylor and Faye Taylor Barker, Charles Leffew, Ova McKinney, Artie Farr, Cora Wright, Edith Farr, Lucy Farr, Jennette Powell, Frankie Pope, Ernest Gamble, Walter Scarbrough, Clyde Wright, JC Scarbrough, Mason Isham, Bud Mee, Howard McKinney. Other names of the early church were names as Williams, Rogers, Frost, Courtney, and Duff. These people loved the Lord, endured to the end, and kept the faith. Most all of them along with their families are buried or connected to the Cemetery.



This picture was taken from the Cemetery in front of the church around 1935. Mary Lee Wright is in front holding baby. On the right side of her is Bernice Leffew (Raymond) girl in the hat, behind her is Joyce Leffew. On the left is Jim Jenkins, man in the hat and son Roy beside him. Della Jenkins is behind the Roy and behind him is Howard Leffew.

# **Preacher of Emory Heights Missionary Baptist Church**

This first group are Preachers listed in the roll books or known to filled in or preach but weren't on the roll book or minutes of the Church as being Pastors of Emory Heights.

•	James Wyrick	James Easter	Elmer Settles
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 Willy Todd Preached his first sermon at Emory Heights September 15, 1933

His text was "neither do I condemn thee".

Mike Oran George Turpin **Seth Harding** 

James Somers **Ed Neeley Larry Tilley** 

## The Deacons of Emory Heights

•	Frank Scarbrough	James Wright	Homer Frost
•	John Goddard	Junior Thompson	Charlie Williams
•	Frank Cook	Kenneth Scarbrough	Lynn Bain
•	Kenneth Baker	Eugene Baker	Ronnie Baker
•	James Leffew	Clayton Brown	Johnny Devine

## **The Trustees of Emory Heights**

•	Frank Scarbrough	James Wright	Dewey Arwood
•	Frank Cook	Charlie Williams	Donnie Smith
•	George Nelson	Arnold Wright	Clayton Isham
•	John F Davis	JL Gaylon	Fate Galyon

Estel Courtney

## The Treasures of Emory Heights

• George Turpin

Lynn Bain Ronnie Baker Eugene Baker

## The Sunday School Superintendents of Emory Heights

•	Orville Howard	John R Rogers	Paul Powers
•	Ronnie Baker	Eugene Baker	James Leffew

#### The Church Clerks of Emory Heights

• George Turpin Ernest Bilbrey William Barry

Carol Bullard Ronnie Baker Sue Brown

• Terri Nelson

## The Pianists and Musicians of Emory Heights

• Evelyn Scott Eunice Raymond Mary Duff

Wilma Haverland Charlotte Alexandra Shelia Fross

Reba Nelson Rita Bilbrey Marsha Bacon (Organ)

Alisha Armes Hamby Leslie Baker Roberts

#### **Choir Leaders of Emory Heights**

• Kenneth (Bud) Scarbrough John R Rogers Ronnie Baker

• Eugene Baker Rick Gouge

## **Janitors of Emory Heights**

Roy McGaha Jim Haverland Lynn Bain

• Donnie Smith Bea Gibson Mary Lou and Arnold Wright

## **Children's Church**

• Dennis Armes Michele Main Greg Capps

• Jon Leffew Ronnie Taylor Students from Crown College

### **Sound System**

Ronnie Baker Johnny Devine David Gibson

#### **Sign Ministry**

• David Gibson Mona Devine Polly Taylor

## **Sunday School Secretary**

• Charsey Leffew Bernice Henley Raymond Fran Bain

Paulene CookSandy Alexandria

• Wanda Baker Joy Nelson

#### **Awana Ministry at Emory Heights**

Johnny and Mona Devine

Ronny and Tammy Stockton

#### **Bus Ministry**

• Bobby Clark Johnny Devine Mike Oran

Ronny Baker Ronny Stockton Jerome Scarbrough

#### Pastors that were on the Roll Books

Many of the early century Preachers were known as circuit preachers that would preach from church to church in the surrounding areas. Several were known to hitch hike as far away as Lenoir City and Spring City to preach at Emory Heights . Many of them didn't have salaries, but relied on gifts Church members gave them. It may have been milk, butter, chickens or clothes, and sometimes they would receive money, but not always. Many would preach at more than one church. They would Preach on the first and third Sunday at one Church and the second and fourth Sunday at another.



## Nelson Wyrick – 1915

Nelson moved from Laurel Bluff area to Emory Heights and help start a brush arbor meeting in 1914 and later donated the land to build the church in 1915. He was the first pastor of Emory Heights.

**May 17, 1915** For the sum of one dollar the land to build the First Church to Emory Heights Missionary Baptist

Church from E.U. Clark and wife Mary L Clark to Trustee E.N. Wyrick to Frank Scarbrough and James Wright

Deacons and trustee's of Emory Heights Missionary Baptist Church

Found an article from the Harriman Record dated **September 24<sup>th</sup> 1915** stating Emory Heights Missionary Baptist Church will be dedicated next Sunday (September 26) by an all day service. Dinner on the ground at noon. All who can are asked to bring baskets, but if you cannot bring a basket come anyway. E.N. Wyrick is pastor of this church and James Goddard is assistant pastor. I also found an article inviting people to revival in October 1916 stating that James Wyrick was the Pastor for 1916.

## • James Wyrick 1916

Brother to Nelson Wyrick and possibly the first pastor of South Harriman in 1907.



preached at Pine Grove.

#### • Jim Goddard – 1917 - 1922

Jim is baptizing Bertha and Pearl Williams. Bertha would be approximately 16 years old.

Jim assisted Nelson Wyrick in 1915

Jim was an ordained Association Ministry later listed as Preaching at South Harriman and  $\mathbf{1}^{st}$ . and  $\mathbf{3}^{rd}$ . Sunday he

A land purchase of the first Old cemetery was dated November 14, 1929



## Dewey Jackson – 1922 - 1927

Jesse Frost was saved and Baptized under his ministry and later became a Pastor of Emory Heights. Emory Heights belonged to the Association during this time.

- The Church was having some of its hardest times because of the depression. Jesse Frost,
   Mark Scarbrough, Bob Marrow and two others signed a
   bank note to pay the Preacher's salary of 15 dollars a Month for a total of 75 dollars.
- Eli Brown 1929 1930
- William (Bill) Fillmore 1931 1932

Later went to Trenton St.



Enoch Howard – 1932 – 1934

Emory Heights was the first church Enoch pastored. Camp Howard in Oakdale was named after him.

Records in The Big Emory Association list Enoch as Preaching at Emory Heights on the  $2^{nd}$ . And  $4^{th}$ . Sundays and Preached the  $1^{st}$ . and  $3^{rd}$ . Sundays at Walnut Hill.

At Emory Heights it was listed as having 203 Members, 28 Baptisms, 5 letters for joining, 1 statement of faith, 5 restorations, 6 Letters, 20 Erasures and 216 Total present.

Also it showed having 1 Revival Meeting and 4 Lord's Supper.

Also listed in the Big Emory Association was George Turpin being the Treasure and Clerk and Orville Howard Sunday School Superintendent with the following enrollments:

Beginners	Ages 3 – 5	48	Primaries	Ages 6 - 8	27
Juniors	Ages 9 – 12	44	Intermediate	Ages 13 – 16	29
Young People	Ages 17 – 24	57	Adults	Ages 25 and up	33
Cradle Roll Ages 3	and under	14	Officers and Te	achers	14

Total enrollment for Sunday School was 266

#### Also Listed in the Big Emory Association:

The Church owned the building and it was built in 1915
It was listed as having a 300 Seating capacity
Having one room and valued at \$2000.

Enoch was a lot of help to Bertha Williams, one of Emory Height's active members, who lost her son Billy at 10 years of age. She told the story of when he was in the hospital that she would go to the chapel and pray she would say Lord if you will let little Billy live I will live for you the rest of my live. She said she still had a heavy burden on her shoulders and she went back to the chapel and prayed the second time and said Lord whatever you feel best, whether he lives or he dies, I will still live for you. She said when she turned it over to the Lord it felt at rest and all that weight was lifted off her and She returned back to the hospital room, and she said she will never forget the smile on his face when he said Jesus is here with me and going to take me home and with the smile on his face he died and Mrs. Williams was true to her word and faithfully served God till she passed away. She passed away with out-stretched hands saying come and get me Jesus, I am ready to go.



JC Cate – 1934 - 1935



#### Jim Jenkins 1935 - 1940 and 1944

Jim suffered the loss of two children in a house fire when he was living at Emory Heights. Hazel Frost was baptized under his ministry and began her ministry of singing.

#### Kelma Raymond was Secretary in 1939

One of the Sunday School books had 32 in attendance in Sunday School. A few of the names under Jim were Frank Scarbrough, Arville Howard, Lon Duff, Bob Estes, Charlie Williams Rass Rogers, Burl Thompson, Mr. Robinson, Jess Frost, Elder Howard, Roy Cochran, Fred Gaylon, Richard Ladd, Horace Conley, Bill Davidson, John Scarbrough, Clarence Sanders.

John Goddard was a Sunday School Teacher in 1939 of 24 students. Names of Earl and Ralph McGaha, Bud Scarbrough, Walter Scarbrough, Homer Frost, Carlie Raymond, Freddie Parks, Hardin Matney, Gene Raymond, Clyde Howard, Clyde Collins, Carson Todd, Ted Mckinney.

Mark Scarbrough was a Sunday School Teacher in 1939. Some of the names were, Willard Scarbrough, Bud Wright, Bud Frost, Arnold Goddard, Stlyes Raymond, Marvin Gaylon, Gene Leffew, Bill Wright, Rufus Rogers, Earl Duff, Jack Howard, Paul Mckinney, Leonard Roberts, E.J. Rogers, Jack Peters, Floyd Brashears, Roy Jenkins, Mack Parks, William Howard, Jimmie Collins, Ralph Murphy, Clyde Swicewood.



**Group picture taken in 1937 in front of Emory Heights** 

**December 24, 1937** The large portion of the Cemetery was purchased from First National Bank in Harriman from a forclosure.





## • Simpson Stanley – 1941 - 1941

Later became the first pastor of Lakeview. Jim Tapp help to start Lakeview in a garage next to where Lakeview is now.



#### Luther Wilson – 1942 - 1945

Luther and Jesse Frost held a Brush Arbor meeting in Oliver Springs which resulted in the beginning of Kellytown Baptist Church which Luther became the first pastor and pastored there for 17 years.

January 26, 1945 Purchased land from Zola Adkins where the new cemetery is located.

## • JH Whaley – 1945 - 1946



## • Whit Harding - 1946 - 1947

Seth couldn't read or write and stuttered in speech. But when he preached, God allowed him to speak clearly and quote the scripture and have a very effective ministry. Whit's dedication to the Lord was over whelming. He would at times hitch hike from Lenoir City to Pastor Emory Heights.



## • Roscoe Carter – 1947 - 1948

When Roscoe left Emory Heights, he suffered the loss of a teenage daughter whom died of blood poisoning.



## 1947 Group Sunday School Picture at Emory Heights



## • Amos Collins – **1948** – 1949

Amos filled in until we were able to get a pastor. He also helped in many revival meetings thru the years.



#### Mark Scarbrough – 1949 - 1950

Mark received his license to preach in August 1939 and was ordained in November 1939. Mark has been used by the Lord all thru his years at Emory Heights. Mark told about an instance when they were building the new church and someone dropped a hammer down between the walls of the old foundation and the new wall being erected and they held him by his feet while he got the hammer. Mark also recalled the story of an old tree

across the road where the men would gather for prayer before services. The area was well worn around the tree where they prayed. One day a fire got in the wooded area where they prayed and burned everything in its area except for the tree where they prayed. The tree was saved because of the worn out area where they got down on their knees and prayed thru the years.

When the 1995 Annual meeting book of reports was published it featured the photo of one of the longest serving clerk's, Rev. Mark Scarbrough. He had served as clerk for an astonishing 17 years (from 1972 to 1989). The meeting was dedicated and in remembrance of his service.





#### EJ Rogers 1950 – 1952

EJ was known for his radio broadcast. He was known to have a good attendance through his hard work.

Mrs. Williams taught Sunday School class with 28 in attendance. Some of the Names were John R Rogers, Mary Rogers, Pernia and Clifford Phillips, Mildred Bryant, Lotie Rogers, Willie Parks, Willie Mae Roberts, Paulene Cook, Lucille McCabe, Mary Lee Wright, Margaret Raymond, GC Cooley, Floyd Barger, Mary F. Poland, Bessie Jenkins, Eva Williams, Ethel Martin, Don Raymond, Margaret Ryans, Bernice Henley, Evelyn Leffew,



## **Burl Thompson 1953 - 1955**

The last sermon Burl preached was titled "I have pulled my coat off, where shall I lay it down ".

The average Sunday School attendance in 1954 was 119.

Average Collection was \$11.94 per week.

The average Chapters read in the Bible was 169 per week.

The Secretary was Bernice Henley Raymond.

## The Elections of Sunday School Teachers were:

- Willie Parks
- Ollie Ferrell and Thelma Bilbrey
- Evelyn Scott
- Pernia Phillips
- Ralph Scarbrough
- Jack Logal
- Jim Roberts





Burl Thompson
baptizing. Picture
believed to be taken at
the Emory River under
the old bridge in Har
Burl Thompson
baptizing in Swan Pond



• Perry Mayton – 1955 - 1957

Perry was preaching at Grace Baptist in Rockwood during the time of our 75 year anniversary.

## 1955 Sunday School

Superintendent Fred Scarbrough
Secretary was Thelma Bilbrey
The 1955 total attendance was 109 per week
Total Collection was \$11.66 Per Week
Total Chapters of the Bible read was 172 per week.



**Bill Parks Sunday School Class** 

## **Elected Teachers were:**

- Mary F Poland and Willie Parks
- Mary Rogers
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  - 6. Mrs. Bertha Williams
- Francis Leffew
- 7. Burl Thompson
- Bill Parks
- Ralph Sensaboy

In 1956 The Secretary of Sunday School was Barbara Gilmore. The average attendance in roll books were 98 with 9 teachers. The total collection was around \$12. They read an average of 120 Bible Chapters per week.



John R Rogers Sunday School Superintendent and Sunday School Teacher

#### **Teachers were**

- Mary Poland
- Willie Parks
- Ralph Sensaboy
- Mrs. Williams
- Bill Parks
- Mary Rogers

- 7. Elmer Settles
- 8. Evelyn Scott
- 9. Burl Thompson
- 10. Ralph Scarbrough
- 11. Rev. Green
- 12. Olive Ferrell
- 13. Jimmie Roberts.

John R Rogers as we know him by Junior is seen all through the Sunday school pictures of Emory Heights. The article is taken from the Southern Baptist Association web site stating Dr. John Rogers has served as Team Leader of Prayer and Evangelism for the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana since August of 1999.

Prior to his service at the State Convention, Dr. Rogers served as Pastor of Eastlake Baptist
Church in Crown Point, Indiana, for over 7 years and previously pastored at Stuart Park Baptist
Church in Cleveland, Tennessee; Pearl Street Baptist Chapel in New Albany, Indiana; and Walnut
Grove Baptist Church in Decatur, Tennessee.

He has been married to his wife Marlena since December of 2001. Dr. Rogers has two adult children by his first wife Patricia Ann, who went home to be with the Lord in December of 2000.

Dr. Rogers received a Master of Divinity from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville and a ThD from Covington Theological Seminary in Rossville, Georgia. His dissertation was on "Adoption; The Security of the Believer."

Every aspect of Dr. John Rogers' personal and public ministry is measurably affected by his belief in the Bible as the inerrant, impeccable, infallible Word of God. Junior has a facebook page and many of us still hear from him today with short devotions and readings he writes daily.



• Jim Tapp – 1957 - 1959

- Freddie Peters 1958 1959
- Virgil Neeley 1959 1960

Bertha Williams Taught Sunday School with 21 active students in her class and Eunice Raymond was her assistant.

Secretary and Treasurer was Charlsie Leffew.





• **Curtis Wyatt – 1960 -** 1963 His daughter Debbie is presently going to Emory Heights.

**Curtis Wyatt Family Picture** 

Bertha Williams taught the women's Sunday School Class with 37 students. Blanche Holt was the assistant.

Some Tips they used to operate their Sunday School Class

Each month they would send flowers or give gifts to those in need. Their offerings closely matched their expenses. Every month they would give out gifts with what they took in. January through May 1959 they gave out 17 gifts or flowers and another thing noted is when there was a birthday they would take a Sunday school love offering and buy them a gift or give them money to buy a gift.



#### Jesse Frost -1963 - 1970

Jesse was an active member of Emory Heights. The old Church had seen its life and a new church was built in 1969. After the church was built, Charlie Williams bought the brick and His son Roy laid them. The Church was built on faith and it took two years to build but when it was finished it was paid for and free of debt. **Pete Scarbrough** preached the dedication. Jesse also worked with Luther Wilson in Oliver Springs holding a brush arbor meeting which developed in the establishment of Kellytown Baptist Church. Luther Wilson was the first Pastor and his tenure was 17 years. Jim Frost recalled the story of Jesse going out on revival one time knowing that he didn't have the money to get back but told Hazel his wife that the Lord will make a way. Not always was a love offering taken up but this time they did and God met

the need and Jess had enough money to make it back home.



#### Bulin Alexandra – 1970 – 1975

Picture of B.L. Alexandria Marring Johnny and Mona Devine 1972



# • Fred Copeland – 1975 -1976



Pete Scarbrough – 1977- 1978

Pete preached the dedication of the new building in 1969



Doug Mckissick – 1980



# • Bobby Clark 1981 – 1982

Bobby also served as one of our Missionary to England



# • 28. Ray Poland 1983



## John McCormick 1983 -1984

John in his later years returned to Emory Heights and may have preached his last sermon there. He was coming to services when He got sick and shortly past away. His funeral Services were at Swan Pond.



#### Gary Breazele 11-8-1984 - 2-28-1988

The church added the two bathrooms in front of the Church.

November 16, 1986 Emory Heights had Ordination Service ordaining Clayton Brown, James Leffew and Johnny Devine as Deacons.



Gary Baptizing at the Springs. A total of 17

Gary's ministry involved monthly singings and regular community revival's.

Gary spent a lot of time with the youth and a good influence on the young adults.



William E. ( Bill ) Treadway 1978 – 1979

March 1988 - June 1996

Bill Pastored twice at Emory Heights

Bill taught soul winning and accomplished a neighborhood survey and outreach program to reach many in the community.

**Feb. 7, 1990** The dedication of Williams Hall / Nursery was built by Church members. Mike Oran donated the Brick Labor with several church members helping and Charles Devine did the excavating.



**Kite day 1990** The youth group worked to buy an Electronic Sign that is still used today. Polly Taylor one of the youth in picture is presently doing the messages on the sign.

**July 6, 1988** Johnny Devine was named Youth director with Mona Devine, Eugene and Wanda Bakers as co-workers.

August 1, 1990 George Nelson was appointed Trustee

August 1, 1990 The Church adopted a constitution and Articles of Faith.

July 2, 1992 Mike Oran was given a license to Preach

**October 1992** Church bought a Van and started a bus Ministry. Soon there was a Bus and 2 vans picking up children.



**October 1992 Started Jr. Church** using Student Pastors from Crown College and later Dennis Armes.





**June 9, 1993** Viola Baker and Gladys Powers Appreciation Day! Served in the Nursery for 18 years!







**December 2, 1992** First time to have over 100 in Sunday School



James Leffew Sunday School Superintendent!



**November 4, 1992** Awana was voted on and it officially began on **January 6, 1993.** First Awana Clubber was saved January 13, 1993 and 4 more saved the following month to begin a ministry that have reached many youth. 2015 will be our 25<sup>th</sup>. Anniversary in Awana. Ronnie Stockton is the present Commander in Awana.



November 1993 The Awana Program entered the Christmas Parade in Harriman and took first place. There were over a 100 clubbers and Leaders marching down Roane Street in 8 different groups that took up over a half of a block.



• **November 5, 1995** was the Dedication of the Annex Building which is used for the Awana program, reunions and family life center



• 32. Wayne Nelson 1996 and is our Present Pastor



• **July 1997** The addition of the Porch for the Annex Building was added with handicap Ramps.



• **July 16, 1997** the management of the Cemetery was given to the Church and a Perpetual fund was put in place.

**September 1997** Blacktop was added in front of Church, Williams Hall and Annex Building. **February 8, 1998** Pledges for Remodeling Church adding Stain Glass Windows, recovering the Pews, new carpet and paint and new trim.



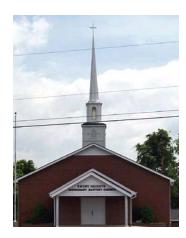
• May 10, 1998 Brother Keith from Crown College worked in Children's Church.



• May 14, 1999 Remodeling of the Church was completed



• June is our VBS at Emory Heights. The Children participate in being ushers with small buckets and take up change each Sunday. The money is used for Bible School each year.



• April 13, 2003 Base for the Bell was made and a new Steeple added.



Homecoming is the first Sunday in June each year.



• **First week in October** each year is Revival Meeting in the Preachers Barn. They are now in their 15<sup>th</sup>. Year of Revival Meetings.

Also each year we have an annual get together with food on the ground, hay ride and pigs for the kids to chase.



**2/21/2004** Emory Heights School was purchased from auction sale from Roane County

December 16, 2012 The Church Voted to Borrow enough funds to complete the building of the New Church. The Church had about half the funds needed to build the Church but the attendance was maxed out and parking was full.

**July 14, 2015** Three Trustee's was appointed to help with the business of the loan structure. The three Trustee's are George Nelson, Arnold Wright and Clayton Isham.

The building Committee was voted and approved to oversee the project. The members were Eugene Baker, James Leffew and Johnny Devine.

The Church voted on a floor plan and the committee took it to the Architect to apply it to building codes in 2012. The plan was approved by the planning committee **12/28/2015**.



• Started Clearing the Land fot the new church April 2013



• Footers, Foundation Walls and Slab was poured June through **August 2, 2015** 



• Starting the Framing **9/13/2015** 



• The building was dried in March 2014



New Pews and Choir chairs were purchased with a seating capacity of 299. There are four rolls leaving a center isle for weddings and funerals and etc...

Video Media Screen was added for song lyrics and events like Anniversaries and weddings. A good Sound system was added to achieve a good sound for the Gospel Message and strong enough to host singings. We plan to deliver DVD's to the shut-ins. And archive the sermons.

The building is a handicap facility and ADA compliant. You can go from Sunday School, Sanctuary or Fellowship area in a wheel chair on one level. You can access every outside door with a wheel chair.



The Church has 8 Sunday School Classes and a seat for you. Room for 3 more if we need them.

- Ronny Taylor Adult class
- Johnny Devine Adult Class
- Jeff Wright Men's class
- Mona Devine Ladies Class
- Ronnie Stockton young men and boys
- Michelle Main Children's class
- Donna Isham children's class
- Nursery with capability to view the service.



The fellowship hall has 16 round tables and a kitchen to host church events.

# The Building was finished and the first service was July 26, 2015. $\label{eq:Dedication} \text{Dedication is September 20, 2015 on the day of } \\ \text{our 100$^{th}$. Anniversary.}$

