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ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Our Church first worshipped under a brush arbor on these same premises.

Our Church received one acre of land for building and burying ground on the 14th day of December, 1878.

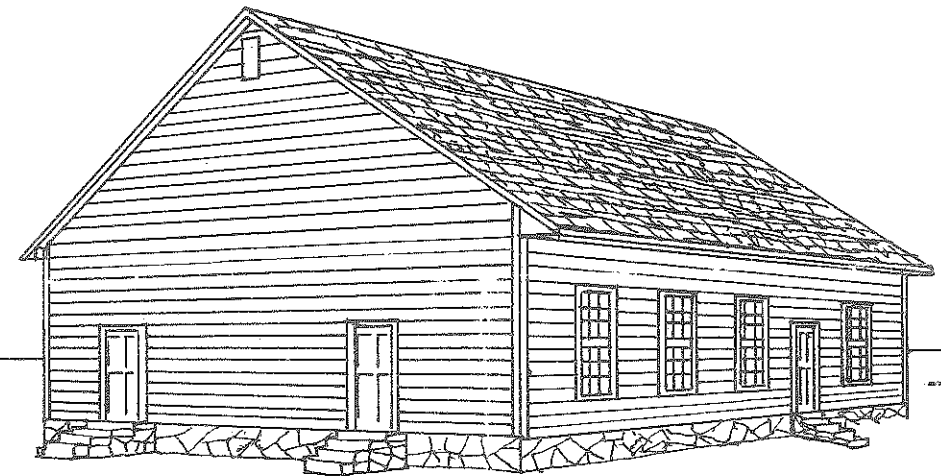
Church appointed committee to starting building in January, 1879.

The original Church building burned Saturday September 4, 1965. The present Church building was built in 1965-1966 and the first Church service was held Saturday March 19, 1966.

PASTORS

Rev. B. F. Clement	1874
Rev. William Gop	1877
Rev. Luke Robinson	1880
Rev. W. B. Haslet	1885
Rev. E. L. Wood	1887
Rev. W. B. Haslet	1891
Rev. J. W. Singleton	1898
Rev. T. J. McWilliams	1902
Rev. E. L. Langley	1904
Rev. J. B. Spivey	1907
Rev. C. W. Johnson	1908
Rev. Harry Spivey	1930 to December 11, 1958
Rev. S. V. Fields	1958 to March 12, 1960
Rev. S. D. Bryant	1960
Rev. Tillmon Singleton	1961
Rev. Bobby Fields	1967
Rev. Robert H. Murrell, Jr.	1967

The service today is to celebrate the 100th. Anniversary of Zion Baptist Church, December 15, 1974.



EST. DEC. 18, 1874

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CONSTITUTED DECEMBER the 18th, 1874

BY: Rev. William Haslet and Fielding Maddox.

After adopting the following articles of faith:

We a congregation of believers who have been regularly baptised upon a profession of Our Faith have set forth a concise declaration of the faith and Order upon which we organize and establish Our Church.

1st. We believe in only one true and living God and a trinity of persons in the Godhead, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and there are not three Gods, but one God.

2nd. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God and the only rule for faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the fall of Adam and the imputation of his sins in prosterity in the corruption of human nature and the impotency of man to recover himself by his free will and ability.

4th. We believe the everlasting love of God to His people and the eternal election of a definite number of the human race to grace and glory, and there was a covenant of grace and redemption made between the Father and Son before the world began in which their salvation is secure and they in particular are redeemed.

5th. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the righteousness of Christ imputed into them.

6th. We believe that all those chosen in Christ will be effectually called by the Spirit and Power of God so that they shall presevere in grace and not one of them finally lost.

7th. We believe that good works are the fruits of faith and follow after justification and they justify us in the sight of men and angels and are evidences of our gracious state.

8th. We believe that there will be a ressurection of the dead, and a general judgment and that the happiness of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

GOSPEL ORDER

1st. We believe that the visible church is a congregation of faithful persons who have gained a Christian fellowship for each other, and have given themselves to the Lord and to one another. To keep up a Godly decipline agreeable to the rule of the Gospel.

2nd. We believe that Jesus Christ is the great head of the church and the only law giver and that government is with the body and in the priviledge of each individual; that the decipline of the Church is intended for the reclaiming of members who may be disorderly either in faith or practice, and must be faithfully kept up for the glory of God and the peace and unity of the Church.

3rd. We believe that water baptism and the Lord's Supper are the ordinances of the Lord and are to be kept up until his second coming.

4th. We believe that true believers in Jesus Christ are the only subjects of baptism and that immersion is the mode.

5th. We believe that none but regularly baptised Church members has a right to Commune at the Lord's Table.

6th. We believe that it is the duty of every heaven borned Soul to become a member of the visible Church of Christ. To make a public profession of his or her faith; to be legally baptised so as to have a right to pertake of the Lord's Supper at every legal opportunity through the whole course of life.

There were Twenty One (21) members in the original Constitution of the Church.





