



*Piney Grove Baptist Church*

278 Piney Grove Church Road  
Mount Airy, North Carolina 27030  
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## HISTORY OF PINEY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Piney Grove Baptist Church was organized August 8, 1899 with ten charter members. They included a Badgett, Martin Draughn, J.S. Smith, A.H. Snow, M.J. Badgett, L.J. Hemmings, Elizabeth Doss, S.R. Smith, Hulda Draughn, and M.M. Marion. Piney Grove was originally the Macedonia Church which was moved to the present location and renamed Piney Grove because there was a two-room school located near the site which was named Piney Grove School. The first church building was one room and the different Sunday school classes would gather in the corners.

Since its beginning, the church has been active in the Baptist Associations. The first messengers were sent to the new Surry Baptist Association in 1903, and the first state missions offering was taken in 1905. In 1906 the church began purchasing Sunday school literature from the Baptist Sunday school Board and one year later began supporting the Baptist orphanage.

During the 1930's approximately ten to twenty people attended Sunday school and thirty people attended worship services. George Tucker was the pastor and would drive to the church from Pilot Mountain once a month to preach. The church would take up a collection for him and one month he received \$2.45. It was the faithfulness of the church members that kept the church alive during these trying years. Around 1941 or 1942, Mr. Ralph Ferguson became the pastor and the church began to experience growth.

In 1940, a second church building was completed and the debt paid off in December of the next year. Dedication and cornerstone laying services were held in May, 1942.

The church pastorium was built in 1960 and was first occupied by Rev. and Mrs. L.E. Myers. The church constitution was also adopted in the sixties — March 23, 1966.

The second church building was torn down in 1974 when the present building was constructed. It was completed in October of 1974 at a cost of \$125,000. A service of transfer of consecration was held October 27, 1974. The cornerstone and pulpit Bible were transferred to the new building, symbolizing the move of the ministry to the new house of worship. The first worship service was held Sunday, November 3, 1974 with 160 people in Sunday school.

In 1989 a bell tower, new fellowship hall, and additional Sunday school rooms were added. The ground breaking ceremony for these structures was held February 5, 1989. Construction was completed and a dedication service was held on October 22, 1989.

Over the last few years a need for transportation by the various groups in the church was realized. To meet this need the brotherhood began efforts to purchase a van. The van was bought in February 1991 at a cost of \$21,872.

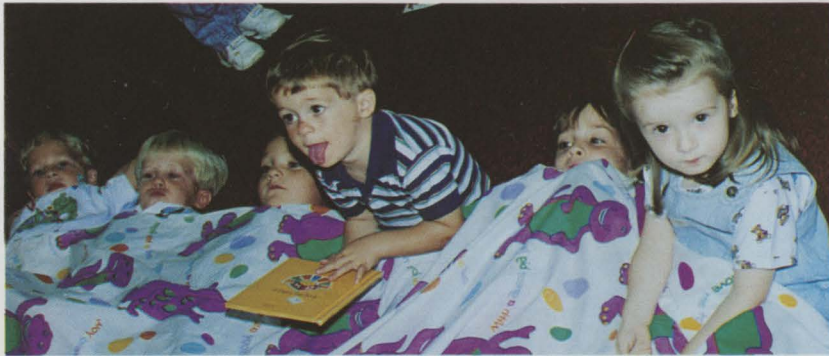
Kermit Gray  
Pastor

Cecil Beasley  
Organist

Dawn Marion  
Pianist

Susan Johnson  
Choir Director













ATKINS, CALVIN & GRACIE



ATKINS, CLARK & HARLENE  
JILL, JUSTIN



ATKINS, JERRY & HARRIET  
SAVANAH, SHELLEY, HARLEY



ATKINS, WAYNE & GLENDA  
NEIL



BARNES, NANNIE



BEASLEY, CECIL & FAYE



BEASLEY, GARNETT & JAN  
CARLA, LORI



BEASLEY, MIKE & JANICE



BLED SOE, RANDY & SHARON  
KATIE, KENDAL



BLUE, REBECCA



BRANCH, J.W. & JOAN  
DEAN



BRINTLE, CHARLES &  
BLANCHE



BRINTLE, ROBERT & KATHY  
JAMES



CAMPBELL, BILL & IRENE



CHILTON, LINDA  
CHRIS, ANDREW

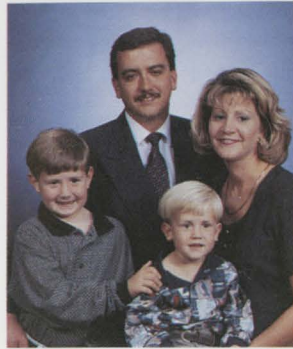


COOK, TERRI  
ETHAN





CORNETT, RICKEY & MELINDA  
BRYSON



CREED, DAVID & SHELLEY  
JACOB, MARSHALL



CREED, TIM & KATHY  
BRYAN, AMANDA



CULP, BARRY & KAY



DANLEY, PAUL



DAVIS, BRENDA



DEATHERAGE, ALMA



DOLLYHIGH, JERRY & RUTH  
JENNIFER, DAN



DRAUGHN, EDYTHE



DRAUGHN, STEVE & JANICE  
EMILY, DANA



DRAUGHN, TERRY & KAY



FOSTER, ALAN & DORENE  
EMILY



GORDON, NEIL & BETH



GRAY, KERMIT & PAM



HARDY, CLAUDE & LASSIE



HARDY, RALPH & MARGARET





HARRELL, HADLEY & PEARL



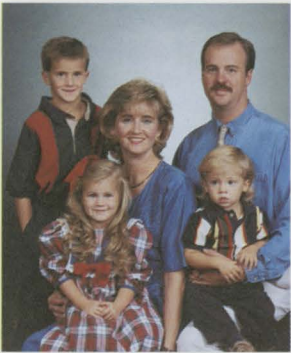
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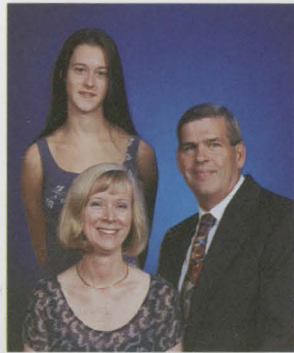
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HEATHER, MICHAEL



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LUKE, KAYLIN, LANCE



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CARRIE



HAYMORE, GROVER & OLEEN



HAYMORE, WAYNE & TERESA  
JESSICA, WESLEY, DANIEL



HEAD, MILTON & IVY  
DEANNE



HILL, ERROL & CRYSTAL



HODGES, B.J. & LOIS



HOLDER, MIKE & SHERRIE  
CHAD, CHASE, JARRETT,  
MICHAELA



HORTON, EDWARD & ANGELA  
CHRISTIAN, KAYLA



HUDSON, OLIVER & FAYE



HUDSON, RANDY & MELANIE  
TYLER, TANNER



HUFFMAN, CLARENCE &  
LEONA





INGRAM, STEVE & JEAN  
KELLY, DANIEL



JARRELL, MIKE & SHERRY  
LOGAN



JOHNSON, JOHN &  
MARGARETTE



JOHNSON, SIDNEY & IDA



JOHNSON, SUSAN



JOHNSON, SYLVIA



KIDD, GARY & EILEEN



LEWIS, VIC & STELLA



MARION, MILLARD



MARION, MYRON & DAWN  
ANDREW, JOHN



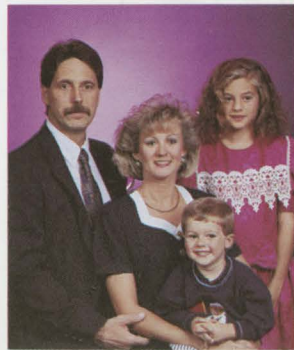
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FLORENCE



McHONE, RUTH



MELLOW, JOE & DONNA  
BRITTANY, CARSON



MILLER, DENNIS & PATTI  
LAURA, OLIVIA



MOSER, ROSCOE





MOSER, SAM & WENDY  
JASON, JARED, JOSH



NICHOLS, JEFF & TANA  
MEGAN



POORE, JOE & NORMA



REYNOLDS, FRANK & SUE  
MITZI, AMANDA



RIGGAN, RUSS & GAY  
LEAH, MATTHEW



RIGGS, RHONDA  
KATIE, ANDY



RIGGS, TOM & JUDY



SAWYER, JERRY & CAROLYN  
BETH, TRAVIS



SIMMONS, GLENDA



SIMPSON, DOT



SIMPSON, LILLIAN  
EDWARDS, NANCY



SINK, TRAVIS & SUZANNE  
BEN, JOE



SLATE, DEAN & YVONNE  
LILLIE, BENJAMIN



SMITH, WANDA  
MARK



STANLEY, RICK & DEBBIE  
CASEY, SHANE, LANDON, KENLEY



STONE, GLADYS





VANHOY, TIM & DEBRA  
TAYLOR



WILMOTH, KEITH & EMILY



WOODRUFF, AMBRASE



WOODRUFF, HELEN



WOODRUFF, KATHY ATKINS  
TONYA, FRANKYE



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