

Valley Creek Baptist_Organized in 1870



At Valley Creek, we understand that “History” really means “His Story”. The following information is presented as a tribute to the great things that God has done.

The Valley Creek Church was nondenominational from 1870 to 1876 when the members organized and was known as the Valley Creek Missionary Baptist Church of Christ. In 1919, the church re-organized and became the Valley Creek Missionary Baptist Church.

Services were held in the school building and they moved it near the cemetery. In 1920, the Valley Creek School District deeded this half acre of land to the church. In 1923, the church bought some more land from the school district and started to raise money to

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build a church building. This was accomplished by pledging a percentage of their crops as well as other sources of income.

In 1951, Sunday School rooms were added to the back of the building . On December 29, 1952, this building burned. This proved to be a real test of faith for the membership, but with God's guidance and grace another building was miraculously built. This building was dedicated on September 6, 1953.

Since that time, the church has continued to grow and build as the need would arise. In 1977, the church added three more rooms including a nursery. Later, the church built an apartment for the pastor to live in on the weekends.

In 1988, the church began to move in a new direction. In June, the church voted to change from a part-time ministry to a full time ministry. The construction of a new fellowship hall and education building was now finished and the church really began to grow. This same year, the church experienced it's best year ever for Sunday School growth. The church was recognized by the Fannin Baptist Association as the "Fastest Growing Sunday School" in Fannin County.

In March of 1990, the church had to divide into two morning worship services in order to accommodate the growing ministry. Also, the church voted to purchase additional property in order to build a new sanctuary.

In August of 1990, the church added another dimension to their ministry. They called an associate to the pastor in charge of Youth Ministries.

The church now has a Pastor, Minister of Music, Youth Minister and Pianist on staff. The future looks bright for Valley Creek Baptist Church. The long range planning committee has a four phase building program being implemented at this time.

July 15, 2007, the Long Range Planning Committee presented a plan to start saving for a new sanctuary and Sunday School rooms. When we reach \$150,000 we will tear down the old building and meet in the Fellowship Hall until completed.

Fifth Sunday singing had it's last service on March 30, 2008. God sent the men from Highland Terrace in Greenville, Texas, to help with construction of the building. Men and women came from Hebron Baptist Church along with our men to put up sheet rock on January 10, 2009.

We held our first service in the new sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 13, 2009, even though it isn't fully completed. Carpeting, pews or chairs and sound equipment will be installed in the near future.

Without all the help from the Lord, church members, other churches , and volunteers from everywhere, donations of monies, materials, etc. Valley Creek would not be where it is today.

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Valley Creek is now in the process of starting a Spanish Mission

Pastors

<i>1881</i>	<i>Elder N. A. Rogers</i>
<i>1895-1897</i>	<i>G. M. Shaw</i>
<i>1897-1899</i>	<i>Denton Reece</i>
<i>1899-1918</i>	<i>W. H. Caskey</i>
<i>1919-1922</i>	<i>C. H. Carr</i>
<i>1923-1927</i>	<i>A. J. Ward</i>
<i>1927-1928</i>	<i>W. L. Gilliam</i>
<i>1928-1929</i>	<i>A. L. Eubanks</i>
<i>1930-1937</i>	<i>J. N. Lasater</i>
<i>1937-1938</i>	<i>M. R. Hanock</i>
<i>1938</i>	<i>W. M. Stuart (didn't accept church)</i>
<i>1939-1940</i>	<i>Webb Brooks</i>
<i>1940-1941</i>	<i>Tom N. Clinkscales</i>
<i>1941-1942</i>	<i>Noel Ashinhurst</i>
<i>1942-1943</i>	<i>Homer Connelly</i>
<i>1943-1944</i>	<i>Paul Bullington</i>
<i>1945-1946</i>	<i>Bernard Beasley</i>
<i>1946-1949</i>	<i>Charles Blackmon</i>
<i>1949-1951</i>	<i>Wilson Beardsley</i>
<i>1951-1952</i>	<i>Roy Jerrell</i>
<i>1952-1954</i>	<i>Robert Ross</i>
<i>1954-1957</i>	<i>Bill Fowler</i>
<i>1957-1961</i>	<i>Jerry Lemon</i>
<i>1961-1964</i>	<i>Ronald Smith</i>
<i>1964-1966</i>	<i>Stanley Echols</i>
<i>1966-1967</i>	<i>Alvin Hiltbrunner</i>
<i>1967-1968</i>	<i>Gary Halbrook</i>
<i>1969-1970</i>	<i>Nick Harris</i>
<i>1970-1971</i>	<i>Joe Bruce</i>
<i>1971-1973</i>	<i>Wayne Jenkins</i>
<i>1973-1974</i>	<i>Steve Davis</i>
<i>1974-1975</i>	<i>Mike Williams</i>
<i>1976</i>	<i>Anthony Powers</i>
<i>1976-1979</i>	<i>Dwight Braswell</i>
<i>1979-1981</i>	<i>Mike Lee</i>
<i>1981-1983</i>	<i>Randy McBroom</i>
<i>1984-1985</i>	<i>Jeff Seat</i>
<i>1985-1987</i>	<i>Kirk Jones</i>
<i>1988-1990</i>	<i>Bobby Atkins</i>
<i>1991-1992</i>	<i>Toney Romans</i>
<i>1992</i>	<i>Ron Rodger</i>

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<i>1993-1994</i>	<i>David Hayes</i>
<i>1994-1996</i>	<i>Casey Ingold</i>
<i>1997-1999</i>	<i>James Henry</i>
<i>1999-2005</i>	<i>Casey Ingold</i>
<i>2005-2007</i>	<i>James Seigler</i>
<i>2008</i>	<i>Larry Don Ashley</i>
<i>2009-Present</i>	<i>James Seigler</i>

