

HISTORICAL EVENTS

OAKWOODS BAPTIST CHURCH 1993-1994

Oakwoods Baptist Church began the 1993-1994 church year by electing Monty Mathis and Bruce Johnson to serve as deacons. A deacon ordination service was held for Bruce Johnson on November 9, 1993.

Oakwoods re-organized the Baptist Young Women to their mission organization, with Renee' Dills as director.

Due to the growth of the church over the past four years, the church saw the need for an associate pastor to assist with its ministry. Rev. Wayne Osborne was called to fill this position in June 1994, along with his duties as Minister of Music.

Oakwoods Baptist Church has several ordained or licensed ministers as members of its congregation, one of these, the Rev. Steve Church was called to pastor Beaver Creek Baptist Church in June 1994. Another of these, Jeff Nichols, began his studies at Tennessee Temple University, in preparation for the ministry.

As a continuation of the building program at Oakwoods, all of the architectural and engineering plans for the new sanctuary were approved in Raleigh, so as to be able to begin construction. As of September 1994 Oakwoods had \$234,000.00 in its building fund.

Oakwoods supported several mission organizations this year giving \$1,650.00 to State Missions and \$3,090.00 to Home Missions. We gave \$5,450.00 to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. The church gave an additional \$13,625.00 for other mission oriented projects, \$17,697.00 to the co-operative program, \$54.00 to the Childrens Home and \$8,735.00 to Associational Missions.

Oakwoods baptized 16 and has 483 resident members and 115 non-resident members, for a total membership of 598. Our church continues to have two Sunday morning worship services due to lack of space in our sanctuary.

Oakwoods lost four members due to death this past year. They were Rector Hayes, Cleo Smithey Anderson, Gene Foster and Barbara McConnell.

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