

## **LITTLE COVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

Organized in 1938, Little Cove Baptist Church applied for Sevier County Baptist Association membership, and they were accepted the same year, 1938.

Messengers to the Association in 1938 were Walter Myers and Jackson Starkey. Bates Marine served as church clerk, Leonard Adams as Sunday School superintendent and the Reverend, O. P. Chesney was pastor.

In 1939, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Myers and Mr. and Mrs. Will Spurling represented their church at the annual meeting as messengers. In 1945 messengers were Marshal Starkey and Bates Marine, who was church clerk and treasurer. Junior McGill was Sunday School superintendent, and the Reverend C. J. Owens was pastor.

In 1952, Mr. and Mrs. Bates Marine and Pastor Earl Campbell served as church messengers at the annual Association meeting. The pastor's salary in 1953 was \$36.40. W. G. Adams was Sunday School superintendent in 1955 while Reverend Campbell was still pastor. Reverend Campbell pastored Little Cove through 1972, serving 22 years.

The church elected Glenn Caylor as Sunday School superintendent in 1971, Ray Gibson as music director, Mrs. Carl Henry as treasurer, and Mrs. Ray E. Brewer as church clerk. Ray E. Brewer was chairman of deacons.

The Reverend Ben Reed was called as pastor in 1973. At that, time church membership numbered 112. Reverend Dee Wilson was pastor one year, 1974, and Reverend Oliver Ray Williams became pastor and served six years through 1980.

Little Cove last sent a church letter to the Association in 1981.

Pastor is Reverend Mike Beck, 1989.

Information was taken from Sevier County Baptist Association books of minutes.