

## TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Trinity Baptist Church organized in 1961, becoming affiliated with the Sevier County Baptist Association in 1962 when Walter B. Johnson and Goldia Johnson represented Trinity at the Association annual meeting. Trinity, Cartertown, and Conner Heights Baptist churches joined the fellowship of the Association at the 1962 meeting. The Reverend Julius Whaley was pastor of Trinity and membership was 36.

In 1936, the church elected Hal Hipsher to the Executive Committee and O. L. and Nelle Boyd represented the church at the annual Association meeting. Nelle Boyd was church clerk and O. L. Boyd was treasurer. Hal Hipsher served as Sunday School superintendent.

The church called Reverend Julius Whaley as pastor in 1964, and he served through 1971 when membership reached 67. The pastor received \$250 in 1969 and church property was valued at \$5,000 according to treasurer Wade Burns' report. He also served as music director, Sue Cowan as church clerk, Paul Brown as Training Union director and Cleve Ogle as Sunday School superintendent.

In 1971 George Walker was chairman of deacons, Donna Williams clerk, Mrs. Raymond Hardin treasurer, Cleve Ogle Training Union leader, and the Reverend Homer Lewis was pastor.

By 1972, the church property was valued at \$16,000 and Dennis McKay served as church clerk, Jackie Glaspie as treasurer, Clary French as music director, and Dave Gibson as Sunday School superintendent. The Reverend Lewis was still pastor.

The 1973 letter to the Association reported 73 members with the Reverend Gene Rose as pastor, Evelyn Rose as clerk, Albert Brewer music director, and Cleve Ogle as Training Union director.

The Reverend Homer Lewis pastored Trinity in 1974 and 1975 Minutes show a membership of 83 with Marjorie Brewer as church clerk, Albert Brewer as treasurer, Richard Trentham music director, Clarence French Training Union leader and Sunday School superintendent. Reverend Lewis continued in the pastorate.

By 1977, Trinity Baptist Church had 101 members with Harold C. Ogle acting as clerk, Leroy Williams as Sunday School superintendent, and the Reverend Ronald McCarter, pastor.

Reverend Jack Mason became pastor in 1978 and served through 1980. There were 122 members. Sue Geagley was clerk, Carolyn Ivey treasurer, William H. Ivey Sunday School superintendent, and the Reverend Jack Mason was pastor.

Pastor is Reverend Hugh Fain Cameron, 1989.

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