

Part 2: Implementing the Dream

Then Solomon began to build the house of the Lord at Jerusalem in Mount Moriah where the Lord appeared unto David his father, in the place that David had prepared in the threshing place of Ornam the Jebusite."

2 Chronicles 3:1

B: Church History (1992 - Present)

Continuing the Dream

The torch of Christian Love and doing God's will was passed to a new generation of Church Leaders. They realized that our church building was deteriorating, and we did not have any room to expand. A seed - an idea - was planted. We needed a new church home. Our hearts were saddened to move from a place we held so dear, but we realized that the church is in our heart and we were moving the building for convenience. At this point, our deacons were the following: Wendell Farrar, Ram Hammonds, Bobby McDonald, Thomas Hammons, Ronald Peoples and Bill Moore. Reverend Jothan White was our pastor. Praying and trusting God, we sent out a search committee for some land. We found it on Stewart Road in Tanner, Alabama.

Also during this period, the Lord enabled us to hire Reverend White as a full-time pastor. Under his guidance, he counseled us to wait until we were financially able to start a church. Also, under his leadership, we started Vacation Bible School, a prison ministry, Drug and Alcohol Abuse Program and the Sunday School started an outreach program where they visit the hospital and nursing home every fourth Sunday.

Being a small congregation, it took us several years to get in the financial shape to start building. We purchased land on April 5, 1991. During the Spring of 1996 we added three deacons: Bennie McLin, Wilbur Woodruff, and Leo Mayberry. We also added trustees: Wendell Farrar, Bobby McDonald, Thomas Hammons, Ronald Peoples, Bennie McLin, Leo Mayberry, Wilbert Woodruff, Bill Moore, Janice McDonald and Emma Brown. We chose an architect in the fall of 1996: Burgess Architecture, Rogersville, Alabama. The contractor was J.E. Poindexter and Associates of Tuscumbia, Alabama.

During the winter of 1997, Walter Hamilton joined the Deacon Board.