



New Witt Baptist Church was established in 1876, marking the beginning of 149 years of enduring faith and a lasting spiritual legacy within the Farmville, Virginia community. On May 24, 1906, trustees George Hardy, Dennie Flournoy, S. F. Saunders, Berry Watson, and Dennis Morris formally secured the church's land by signing the deed, which was duly recorded in the County Clerk's Office. The first sermon on the property, delivered by Reverend Jacob Randolph, set the foundation for generations of faith and fellowship to come.

Throughout its rich history, New Witt Baptist Church has been blessed with dedicated spiritual leadership. Those who have faithfully served as pastors, in no particular order, include:

- Rev. Scott Saunders,
- Rev. John White,
- Rev. C. H. McDaniel,
- Rev. P. E. Anderson,
- Rev. P.C. Smith,
- Rev. Hankins,
- Rev. Earnest Reed,
- Rev. Frank Green,
- Rev. F. N. Stonewall Jackson,
- Rev. Daniel Jordan,
- Rev. Winston Bland,
- and our current pastor, Rev. Shandell Berryman Howell

Alongside the pastors, many devoted church members have faithfully served in various ministries that have strengthened the church throughout its history. We express heartfelt appreciation to all members—both past and present—whose dedication and service have helped make New Witt Baptist Church what it is today.

As we celebrate 149 years of faith, fellowship, and service, we extend heartfelt congratulations to New Witt Baptist Church. May this milestone remind us of God's enduring grace and the steadfast devotion of all who have served through the years. We look forward to the continued strengthening of our legacy as we move forward in faith, unity, and love.

**On behalf of the NWBC History & Archives Ministry:**

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