

## CARBON FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

The Carbon Free Will Baptist Church, was formerly know as the Wevco Free Will Baptist Church, which was organized in 1960, in Wevco, W.V. (*located on Cabin Creek*). In that same year the Church requested membership in the Kanawha Conference of Free Will Baptist, and was accepted. At that time the Church had twelve members, and two appointed Deacons (*who are unknown*). The clerk was M.H. McCallister, the treasure was Grace Kirk, and Rev. Fred Rose was their pastor.

They were know as the Wevaco Free Will Baptist Church until 1980 when Carbon Fuel Company, a coal company, which took the property the Wevaco Church was on, and tore down the old church building, at which time, they moved the congregation to nearby Carbon, W.V. (*located on Cabin Creek, W.V.*). At that time the name of the Church was changed the Carbon Free Will Baptist Church. The Coal Company owns and maintain the Church.

Membership at this time is down to about 10 people. This is due in large part to the fact that the Coal Company owns all the properly in that area. When someone dies or moves out, they move in and tear the house down. Another contributing factor is, that those who now attend, have been members since the 1980's of before; however none of them currently live in the live in the community of Carbon, they drive a long distance to attend.

Ministers who have pastored the Carbon (*Wevco*) Free Will Baptist Church are as follows:

Rev. Fred Rose	1960 to 1962
W.E. OøConnor	1962 to 1964
Ulyssess Holstein	1965 to 1966
Dana Brown	1966 to 1969
Paul Jameson	1970 to 1971
Norwood Webb	1971 to 1976
Paul Jameson	1976 to 1979
Ira Keller	1980 to July 1980
Norwood Webb	1980 to June 2012
Rickie Holstein	2012 to present time

Deacons who have severed the Carbon (*Wevco*) Free Will Baptist Church are as follows:

Old records are missing

Presently there are no Deacons serving the Church

Clerks who have severed the Carbon (*Wevco*) Free Will Baptist Church are as follows:

M.H. McCallister

Mickey Grounds

Marie Grounds

Annie McCallister

Alberta Keeney

Teresa Russell

Treasurers who have severed the Carbon (*Wevco*) Free Will Baptist Church are as follows:

Genevia Slake

Alberta Keeney

Teresa Russell

Sunday School Superintendents who have severed the Carbon (*Wevco*) Free Will Baptist Church are as follows:

Clyde Coleman

Norwood Webb

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**NOTE:** *Information supplied to the Historical Committee of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist, came from information given to the Committee by the Clerk in August 2013. Some information was added by current pastor Rickie Holstein.*

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