

FAIRDALE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Prior to 1944, the community of Fairdale purchased a feed store from Elsie Worley. The Fairdale Free Will Baptist Church was organized in this building on December 10, 1944 by Rev. Jake Adkins and Brother Robert Sanger. Rev. Adkins was elected pastor for the coming year. The church was formally dedicated to the Lord on September 21, 1947. Rev. D.W. French preached the dedication sermon.

On July 13, 1965 a ground breaking ceremony was held for a new church, which was completed in March 1966. Many improvements were made after that time.

Sometime during the 1970's the church burned. With the Lord's help the church rebuilt in a matter of weeks. A new addition to house Sunday School rooms and a three room parsonage was completed. Much more renovations have been done since that time, including more Sunday School rooms, pastor's study, baptistery, bricking of the church, and construction of a shelter for homecomings dinners and other outside actives.

Pastors:

Rev. Jake Adkins
Rev. Doff Harvey
Rev. Johnson Meador
Rev. Cecil Meador
Rev. F.C. Calhoun
Rev. Virgil Cook
Rev. Wayne Sisk
Rev. Roy Tyree
Rev. Wesley Grose
Rev. Luther Ash
Rev. Gerald Hawley
Rev. Lee Lafferty
Rev. Daniel Legg
Rev. R. Wayne Peters
Rev. Rev. Robert Carter

NOTE: *The Historical Committee of the West Virginia State Association of Free Will Baptist, gathered this information from a booklet published in 1995 by The West Virginia State Association, for it's 50th year.*

The booklet was called - - Jubilee "Sound The Trumpet". At this time the Historical Committee has no more information concerning the Fairdale Free Will Baptist Church.
