

# **The History of the United Pentecostal Church of Haynesville**

The Pentecostal Church of Haynesville incorporated as a congregation in 1921, after a series of tent revivals was held by O.S. Owens on the Springhill Highway. Rev. O. S. Owens became the first Pastor. Following is a list of the Pastors of the Pentecostal Church:

**1921** .... Rev. O.S. Owens

**1926** .... Rev. H.E. Stovall

**1928** .... Rev. W. R. Pair

**1933** .... Rev. Francis Ford

**1936** .... Rev. L.J. McDaniel In the year 1939, a tornado hit Haynesville. It caused damage to the church and completely destroyed the parsonage. The Pastor and his family were away from home at the time, and were not harmed. The wonderful citizens of Haynesville united from area churches and volunteered their labor to rebuild the parsonage and repair the church. That building is still in use today (2010) as the Fellowship Hall of the Westside Baptist Church! Thank you Haynesville for your generosity!

**1946** .... Rev. Sam Stogner During this year, the "Pentecostal Assemblies of Jesus Christ" merged with the "Pentecostal Church, Incorporated" to become the "United Pentecostal Church, International".

**1947** .... Rev. E.J. DeLuish

**1955** .... Rev. David Varnado During this year the former Methodist Episcopal church building was purchased and the congregation moved from the Camp street facilities to the corner of Bridgeman and Second West St.

**1966** .... Rev. Wayne Pounders

**1968** .... Rev. R. P. Bell

**1971** .... Rev. G. David Hennigan

**1982** .... Rev. Archie Holley

**1988** .... Rev. H.E. McFarlin The United Pentecostal Church purchased land along Highway 79 North, to build a new church. During Rev. McFarlin's pastorate a new building was begun.

**1992** .... Rev. Timothy R. Kelley Construction continued on the new building, until its completion in 1998. The first service in the new church was Easter Sunday morning, 1998.

**2006** .... Rev. Gary A. Taylor