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Antioch Missionary Baptist Church

History

Rev. Inman E. Bryant and Rev. M. Kemp organized the Antioch Missionary Baptist Church on September 10, 1863, during the time of slavery and the Civil War. Through the talk of Deacon Mikell this church was organized under a Bush Arbor, near the place of the present well. The first baptized members were, Bro. Channie Jones, Sis. Jane Hendley, Bro. Frank Anderson and Bro. Siller Groover. The first deacon was Dea. Warren Jones, Sr. The first building was a Log Cabin built in the field across in the front of the present church; at that time, it was called the Aborn Nicholls Place.

The first pastor called was Rev. J.E. Holmes who served 16 years. The second pastor called was Rev. Inman Bryant who served three years. The third pastor was Rev. A.J. Grant; the fourth pastor was Rev. I Bryant; the fifth pastor was Rev. James M. Jones; the sixth pastor was Rev. Bryant; the seventh pastor was Rev. L.L. Rainey; and the eighth pastor was Rev. Tom Lonon who served 21 years. The ninth pastor was Rev. J.W.H. Thomas, Sr. who served 10 years. The tenth pastor was Rev. William Daniel who served 17 years. The eleventh pastor was Rev. A.L. Thomas who served for 37 years. The twelfth pastor was Rev. Larry W. Scarboro. The thirteenth pastor was Rev. Cecil Dunlap. In 2000, Rev. Richard Lawrence was elected as 14th pastor of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church.

There are 561 known graves in Antioch Cemetery – 198 are unmarked.

Hodges and Mullin Cemeteries, both associated with the Banks Creek Primitive Baptist Church, will be toured on September 14, 2019

**"IF THESE CEMETERIES
COULD TALK"**

**Antioch Missionary Baptist
Church Cemetery**

197 Antioch Church Rd. Brooklet, GA

Saturday, August 17, 2019

9:00 AM



SPONSORED BY:

**Willow Hill Heritage and Renaissance Center
4235 Willow Hill Road, Portal GA**

(1619-2019)

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Greetings Dr. Alvin Jackson
Willow Hill Heritage & Renaissance Center

Invocation Rev. Richard A. Lawrence, Jr. D.D.
Pastor, Antioch Missionary Baptist Church

SelectionMrs. Nell Johnson-Hendley with the
Antioch M.B. Church

Church History Dr. Alvin Jackson

MusicDeacon Earl Donaldson

Procession to the Cemetery

Remembrances of West Africa

Remembrance of the Ancestors - Calling Their Names

MusicDeacon Earl Donaldson

Benediction

Thank You! TO THE WILLOW HILL CEMETERY COMMITTEE

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| Mr. Earl Donaldson | Mr. Khalil Maycock |
| Mr. Regan Donaldson | Ms. Maria Olivas |
| Ms. Lakia Hillard | Mr. Anthony Simmons |
| Dr. Alvin Jackson | Mrs. Joyce Simmons |
| Mrs. Valerie McCray | Mrs. Bertha Pryor |

FORMERLY ENSLAVED BURIALS

1. Mary Melvin (1859-1924)
2. Dea. Willie Mikell (1865-1939)
3. Julia Murray (1864-1935)

TEACHERS

1. Ruby Evelyn Lanier Goodman (1908-1973)
2. Laura Cone Kent (1897-1956)

MINISTERS

1. Rev. Donald German (1938-1999)
2. John Rufus Holt (1900-1955)

VETERANS

1. Clifford E. Jones (1921-1974) WW II, PFC US Army
2. Johnnie L. Cone (1919-1978) WW II, PFC US Army
3. Ben J. Cone (1916-1948) WW II, GA Sgt US Army
4. Homer Lewis Cone (1944-2006) Vietnam Bronze Star, US Army
5. William H. Cone (1941-1999) SGT US Army
6. James Larry Douglas (1948-2005) SP4 US Army
7. Jewell Ellis (1915-1985) US Army
8. Charles Edward Ferrell (1955-1978) SP4 US Army
9. Tairel Goodman (1914-1990) US Army
10. Albert Grant (1918-1974) US Army
11. Rufus E. Handshaw (?) WWII, GA PVT 1463 SV COM D
12. Hazel Harrison (1897-1973) WWI, US Army
13. Jewell Hendley, Sr. (1931-2009) US Army
14. Curnie B. Jones (1885-1931) WWI
15. Leonard Lance (1912-1992)
16. Henry Lemon (1924-2010) US Army
17. Carnegil W. Linder (?-1964)
18. Handy Rawls, Jr. (/ -1932) WWI, GA PVT Depot Brig
19. Henry S. Roborson (1930-1985) SGT US Army
20. Eli Rogers (1892-1979) WWI, GA PVT Army
21. Andrew Faison Shavers (1936-1996) Korea, SP3 US Army
22. Lonnie Simmons (1898-1965) WWI, GA PVT 44 CO
23. James Smith (1896-1973) PVT US Army
24. Henry Clayton Smith (1894-1964) WWI, GA PVT 420 Reg
25. Edgar Smith