

HISTORY OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF PALM COAST

First Baptist Church is an established congregation in Palm Coast. This year we will celebrate our 39th anniversary. In 1974, we began meeting in several private residences in the newly emerging Palm Coast community. God blessed and the need for a permanent meeting place was met by the Florida Baptist Convention, First Baptist of Daytona Beach and First Baptist of Bunnell. Because of their partnership, a facility was built at 301 Palm Coast Pkwy. The first worship service was held on March 19, 1978.

In 1983, First Baptist had to expand again in order to meet the demands of a growing congregation and community. In 1998, a 600 seat worship center and a two story education / fellowship hall was constructed. The church continued to grow as God continued to bless.

Once again, in 2001, it became necessary to meet the challenges of a growing congregation. After much prayer and discussion, the property at 301 Palm Coast Pkwy was sold to a developer and 10 acres was purchased about a ¼ mile from US 1 on Palm Coast Pkwy NW. Phase I of the master plan included a worship center, fellowship hall, classrooms and a preschool building. Services began January 3, 2003 at the new facility.

In 2005, Phase II of a master plan was begun to add an activity center/fellowship hall, 16 classrooms, 5 preschool classrooms, a 2,000 sq. ft. storage facility that has since become the meeting room for our world missions, and additional parking spaces.

Phase III will include additional seating in the worship center, another 16 classrooms and parking. To God Be the Glory for all He has done!