

RICHARDSON
FAMILY RECCRD

1809-1982

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CHILDREN OF RANSOM C. RICHARDSON

I. GASTON BRYANT RICHARDSON

Born: Ca 1834, Alabama? Miss Died: Neshoba County, Miss.

Married: Ann Elizabeth Denton, (ELIZA ANN) Oct. 28, 1856

Lived in Neshoba County. He was a man that was known for his gre strength. It was said of him that he could lift a bale of cotton t weighed 500 lbs.

Children: Had "several" children, names unknown.

II. LUNSFORD RICHARDSON

Born: Ca 1836, Lauderdale Co, Ms. Died:

Bur. Magnolia Cem, M

Married: MARTHA ~~KEITH~~ ~~DARKER~~

Lived near Drip Off Springs [Center Hill] a while, later moved ne Meridian, bought land in area that later became Northwood Country C Children: (May have had more) IN 1892, LUNSFORD RICHARDSON, MAS. D.A. Rich.

1. BETTIE RICHARDSON 1859-1888, 29 yrs. old, headstone at Gumlog C says "Daughter of L. & M. Richardson.
2. ALTUNA "ANNIE" RICHARDSON 1866-1886, m. Mack L. Vinson, owned iture store in Meridian. He was bro. of Clint Vinson, who at o time was mayor of Meridian. They were sons of Wm. L. and Nancy Altuna (Annie) died at twenty and was buried at Gumlog Cem.
3. DANIEL LEE RICHARDSON 1890-1990, Infant. Headstone reads "Infan of L. & M. Richardson"

*Emilie Richardson joined P.P. Ch. in 1901
Didn't she marry a white? ?*

III. MARTHA RICHARDSON

Born: ca 1838, Lauderdale Co. Died: 1860's, Lauderdale Co.

Married: WILLIAM GABRIEL, Jan. 8, 1857, Lauderdale Co.

Martha and William were listed in 1860 census with two young childr By 1870, Martha had died and the children were living with their gr father, Ransom Richardson. William may have died in the Civil War. Children:

1. MARY GABRIEL 1857-
2. RANSOM THOMAS GABRIEL 1860-1936, m. Willie D. _____ (1861-190

IV. REBECCA J. RICHARDSON

Born: 1839, Lauderdale Co. Died: 1897, bur. Fellowship (Pace

Married: DAVID M. BROWN (1812-1894) about 1858. He was an older man neighbor who lived not far from the Richardsons. His first wife had leaving ten children, so young Rebecca had some adjusting to do. T Brown home was near the former site of the old Center Hill Schoolho Rebecca had ten children of her own, so there were twenty Brown off Children: (Rebecca's. See Brown family # 1 history for David's 1st

1. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BROWN 1859- m. Fannie _____, died in childbirt
2. MARY ALICE BROWN 1860-
3. LAURA LOUVENIA BROWN 1862- m. _____ Smith of Collinsville.
4. ROBERT LEE BROWN 1863-
5. WALTER SCOTT BROWN 1865-1939, m. Mrs. Fostina "Tina" (Phillips She was a teacher, widow of Wm. Wright, dau. of James Phillips Kemper (See Wright and Phillips history)
6. OSCAR LAVELLE BROWN 1866- m. Mattie M. McDonald, Dec. 21, 1889. S

*#1
David Brown 1812-1894
Born 1812-1894*

Superintendent of Education Bond

We the State of Alabama Know all men by
Washington County these Presents that
We John A. Richardson, Jas. S. Malone
S. J. Wilson and J. D. Williams are held
and firmly bound unto the State of
Alabama in the Sum of Fifteen
hundred dollars for the payment of
which said Sum Well and truly
to be made and done we bind
ourselves, our heirs, Executors, adminis-
trators and assigns firmly by these
Presents

Sealed with our seals and dated this
the 31st day of March AD 1871

The Condition of the above obligation
is such that whereas the above bound
John A. Richardson was on the first
Saturday in March AD 1871, duly
Elected Superintendent of Education
for said County for two Years.

Now if the said John A. Richardson
shall faithfully discharge the duties
of such office during the time he
continues therein or exercises any
of the duties thereof then this obli-
gation to be void otherwise to remain
in full force and effect

appeared

March 31, 1871.

for County

Judge Probate

J. A. Richardson (Seal)

Jas. S. Malone (Seal)

S. J. Wilson (Seal)

J. D. Williams (Seal)

MARCH 31, 1871

WASHINGTON Co., ALA.

JOHN A. Richardson elected County School Superintendent
of Education For Two Years.

ON BOND with him are James S. Malone, S. J. Wilson,
AND J. D. Williams.

FAMILY RECORD

Parents

Ransom C. Richardson--Born in Johnston County, North Carolina, December 19, 1809.
Died in Lauderdale County, Miss.
April 17, 1895. Buried in Gum Log Cemetery, Bailey, Mississippi.

Lucinda A. Richardson--Born in Johnston County, North Carolina, Oct. 30, 1815. Died in Lauderdale County, Miss. June 10, 1858. Buried in Gum Log Cemetery Bailey, Mississippi.

CHILDREN

This will not be a complete record, because I have no way of getting all of the information that I need.

Harriet Ellen Richardson--Born July 4, 1847, Lauderdale County, Miss. Died Jan. 10, 1931.
Buried Gum Log Cemetery, Bailey, Miss.

Virginia James Richardson--Born June 18, 1861. Lauderdale County, Miss. Died Dec. 19, 1936. Buried in Gum Log Cemetery Bailey, Miss.

Sallie Estelle Richardson-

Rebecca J. Richardson-----Born in Lauderdale County, Miss. 1839. Died 1897. Buried in Fellowship Cemetery. Bailey-Center Hill Community.

Lunsford Richardson-----

Bryant Richardson-----

Ransom S. Richardson--Born in Lauderdale County, Miss. Died December 25, 1913 at the age of 56 years.
Buried in Gum Log Cemetery, Bailey Miss.

FAMILY RECORD

GRAND PARENTS

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in Lauderdale County, Miss.
June 10, 1858. Buried in Gum
Log Cemetery, Bailey, Miss.

PARENTS

Christopher Columbus Kynerd--Born in Lauderdale County,
Miss. May 14, 1855. Died
June 18, 1934. Buried in Gum
Log Cemetery, Bailey, Miss.
He is remembered as "Uncle
Deck".

Virginia James Richardson Kynerd---Born in Lauderdale
County, Miss. June 18, 1851
Died Dec. 19, 1936. Buried
in Gum Log Cemetery, Bailey
Miss. She is remembered as
"Aunt Jenny".

CHILDREN

William Franklin Kynerd-----Born September 16, 1874, in
Lauderdale County, Miss. Died
January 4, 1890.

Martha Louella Kynerd-----Born August 25, 1876, in
Lauderdale County, Miss.
Married Van Murphy, and moved
to Marshall, Texas. Died _____

Rosey Ann Kynerd-----Born April 29, 1878. Lauderdale
County, Miss. Married Will
Hendon. He died, and she later
married Rufus Brown. She had
one son Kutchie Hendon. She
died March 6, 1961, in
Oklahoma

Samuel David Kynerd-----Born February 6, 1880, in
Lauderdale County, Miss. Married
Laura Jones. Died April 3, 1953.
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetery, Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

Mary Etta Kynerd-----Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
January 24, 1882. Married
Henry Monroe Stevens on October
13, 1902. He was born on June 7,
1881 and died Dec. 3, 1940. She
died July 10, 1949.

Ransom Salathiel Kynerd---Born May 20, 1884, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Married Mary
Alice Talbert, on February 3,
1909. Died March 25, 1962.
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetery, Bailey, Center
Hill Community. His mother
called him "Budd", but most
people called him "Jake".

Ira Preston Kynerd-----Born September 4, 1886, in
Lauderdale County, Miss. Died
Sept. 12, 1907.

Maude Cherylane Kynerd---Born August 15, 1888, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Married Walter
Alex Brown. Died Oct. 27, 1952.
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetery, Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

FAMILY RECORD

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PARENTS

Ransom S. Richardson- Born in Lauderdale County, Miss. Died December 25, 1913 at the age of 56 years. Buried in Gum Log Cemetery, Bailey, Miss.

Bunnie Vinson Richardson--Born in Lauderdale County, Miss. Sept. 18, 1872. Died March 16, 1955. Buried in Gum Log Cemetery, Bailey, Miss.

CHILDREN

Bertha Richardson-----Born Sept 16, 1891, Lauderdale County Mississippi. Died Nov. 29, 1937. Buried in the Mount Carmel Cemetery. Buried in the Mount Carmel Cemetery. Bailey, Miss. Obadiah community.

Bruceshell Richardson--

Caudie Richardson-----Born Aug. 17, 1904, Lauderdale County Miss. Died Nov. 24, 1933. Buried in Gum Log Cemetery, Bailey, Miss.

Lucinda Richardson----

Bunnie Viola Richardson--Born in Lauderdale County, Miss. October 5, 1906.

MISCELLANEOUS

Bunnie Viola Richardson Pogue, had one daughter, Rita Mae Pogue. Rita, was born July 23, 1926, in Lauderdale County Miss. She died April 10, 1978.

Lucinda Richardson disappeared when she was a teenager, and to this day (1982) no one knows what happened to her.

Bertha Richardson married James White, in the year of 1912. They had two sons, Cameron White, and Milton White. Cameron White died February 18, 1980.

Harriet Ellen Richardson and Joseph W. Talbert were married on February 3, 1869, by Elder John Brown of Lauderdale County. Witnesses were George Wilson and Dicey Talbert. Joseph W. Talbert was born on March 12, 1847. Died, November 6, 1929.

Bryant Richardson---Oldest brother of Virginia James Richardson, was known for being a very strong man.

VIRGINIA JAMES RICHARDSON---Is well remembered by many people as "Aunt Jenny". She was a very determined person, stood up for what she believed was right. Worked hard all of her life, and was known for making this remark---"One baby boy is worth 10 baby Girls". She did lots of hand work. Did beautiful quilts, embroidery, and what use to be known as "Turfig Work". Some of this she sold, but lots of it she gave as gifts. Fortunate was the person that received it. She was also famous in her own way, for her Special tea cakes and ginger bread cakes. Children, loved to go to her house, and that is the first thing they would ask for. They were delicious, with a taste you never forget.

Her Father, Ransom C. Richardson, bought lots of land here in Lauderdale County, from the Government. When he built his house, his nearest neighbor was five miles away. Everything was scarce in these days. In the winter time they had to bank the hot coals in the fire place, in order to be able to start a fire the next day. Matches were scarce and hard to get. If the fire went out, they had to walk the five miles to the neighbors house, to borrow hot coals, in order to start another fire. He gave each of his children a certain amount of land, and to this day some of his decendants still live on most of it.-----1982.

MISCELLANEOUS

The following is information taken from Family Markers
in the Gum Log Cemetery.

Sallie E. Richardson---Born December 30, 1893. Died Sept.
11, 1951.

John Wesley Richardson---Born July 28, 1895. Died June 9
1968

Callie Donia Richardson---Born Dec. 16, 1870. Died Nov. 1
1941.

Marion Lee Richardson-----Born Oct. 17, 1863. Died Nov. 9
1938.

Bettie--Daughter of L. and M. Richardson, born in
Lauderdale County, Miss. on
Oct. _____ 1859. Died Nov. 17,
1888

Altana, wife of M. L. Vinson, daughter of L. and M.
Richardson, born July 24, 1866
Died July 15, 1886.

Daniel Lee Richardson, Infant son of L. and M. Richardson,
born and died on June 26, 1890

William B. Richardson, Son of W.T. and S.E. Richardson
born and died June 26, 1890

PARENTS

William Thomas Richardson--Born February 10, 1854. Died
April 4, 1889

Sallie Elizabeth Williams Richardson--Born near Marion,
Miss. June 1857. Died Nov.
28, 1893.

CHILDREN

George Vester Richardson---Born Oct. 7, 1876, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died Jan. 24, 1942
MARRIED ANNIE BROWN
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetery, Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

Joseph Baxter Richardson---Born March 5, 1879, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died Dec. 15, 1955
MARRIED IDA PEARL MILES
IN SEPT. 19
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetery, Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

Effie Estelle Richardson---Born January 10, 1881, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died 1908
MARRIED CHARLES WEATHERFORD
Bur. gumlog Bapt. Church

Lula Elizabeth Richardson---Born January 1883, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died Jan. 3, 1898
DID NOT MARRY.

GRAND PARENTS

William Thomas Richardson----Born February 10, 1854
Died April 4, 1889

Sallie Elizabeth Williams Richardson--Born near Marion,
Miss. June 1857, Died Nov. 28,
1893.

PARENTS

George Vester Richardson--- Born October 7, 1876, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died Jan. 24, 1942
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetary. Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

Annie Brown Richardson----- Born November 6, 1876, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died Nov. 2, 1929,
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetary, Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

CHILDREN

William Thomas Richardson---Born Oct. 4, 1894, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died Dec. 5, 1966.
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetary.

Sallie Estelle Richardson---Born Aug. 3, 1897, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died April 22,
1949. Buried Gum Log. Cemetary.
Bailey, Miss.

Cecil Richardson-----Born Oct. 9, 1898, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died June 21, 1917
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetary, Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

Jesse Wall Richardson-----Born Oct. 21, 1900, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died April 7, 1971
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetary, Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

Jodie Mac Richardson-----Born January 28, 1904, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died Feb. 5, 1963.
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetary, Bailey, Center
Hill Community

Louise Richardson-----Born Sept 9, 1906, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died May 7, 1978.
Buried in the Andrew Chappel
Cemetary. Old Ponta Community.

George Edward Richardson---Born April 21, 1916, Lauderdale County, Miss. Died Sept. 14, 1980 in Columbus, Miss. Buried in the Fellowship Baptist Church Cemetary Bailey, Center Hill Community.

Miscellaneous-----

Louise Richardson married W. Henry Ollheft. He was born Sept 9, 1905. Died May 7, 1978
They had no children.

George Edward Richardson, married Essie Graham, from South Carolina. She was born October 29, 1917.

They had no children, but raised her brother, Bobbie Graham.

William Thomas Richardson Married Emma Lucille Brown,
Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
They had three Children. Mollie
V. Richardson, Born May 31, 1918.
Died January 21, 1923.
Cecil Brown Richardson
Rita Nell Richardson.
Lucille Brown Richardson died
May 1, 1974. She is Buried in
Fellowship Baptist Church Cemetary
Bailey, Center Hill Community.
She was born in Lauderdale County,
Miss. on January 31, 1894.

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Miss. June ____ 1857. Died Nov.
28, 1893.

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County, Miss. Died Jan. 24, 1942
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetary. Bailey, Center
Hill Community/

Annie Brawn Richardson----Born November 6, 1876, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died Nov. 2, 1929.
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetary, Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

PARENTS

James Jefferson Wilson----Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
March 12, 1891, Died Nov. 29,
1978. Buried in Gum Log Cemetary
Bailey, Miss.

Sallie Estelle Richardson Wilson--Born in Lauderdale
County, Miss. Aug. 3, 1897. Died
April 22, 1949. Buried in Gum
Log Cemetary, Bailey, Miss.

CHILDREN

Georgia Wilson-----Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
January 27, 1922.

Kenneth Richardson Wilson--Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
June 25, 1923. Died March 29,
1933. Buried in Gum Log Cemetary
Bailey, Miss.

James Wilfred Wilson-----Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
Aug. 14, 1925.

George Vester Wilson-----Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
March 8, 1928

GREAT GRAND PARENTS

William Thomas Richardson--Born Feb. 10, 1854. Died April 4
1889

Sallie Elizabeth Williams Richardson--Born near Marion,
Miss. June 1857. Died Nov. 28,
1893

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County, Miss. Died Jan 24, 1942.
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Jesse Wall Richardson---Born Oct. 21, 1900, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died April 7, 1971
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Cemetery, Bailey, Center Hill
Community.

Willie Sue Harvey Richardson--Born July 5, 1904, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died March 2, 1978.
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetery, Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

CHILDREN

Jesse Wall Richardson Jr.--Born Sept. 3, 1921, Lauderdale
County, Mississippi. Died April 2,
1971. Buried in the Fellowship
Baptist Church Cemetery, Bailey,
Center Hill Community.

Jesse Wall and Alice Richardson, had one daughter--Cynthia
Sue Richardson, born in Victoria,
Texas.

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Miss. June 1867. Died Nov. 28,
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Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetery

PARENTS

Jodie Mac Richardson-----Born Jan. 28, 1904, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died Feb. 5, 1963.
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Church Cemetery, Bailey, Center
Hill Community.

Vivian Troythena Ollhoft Richardson--Born Dec. 10, 1909.
Lauderdale County, Miss.

CHILDREN

George Wallace Richardson--Born February 5, 1945. Lauderdale
County, Miss.

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George Wallace Richardson--Born February 5, 1945. Lauderdale
County, Miss.

Garrie Ann Ross Richardson--Born March 16, 1946, Lauderdale
County, Miss.

CHILDREN

Sheila Michelle Richardson--Born October 18, 1970, Lauderdale
County, Miss.

Suzanne Richardson-----Born September 26, 1972,
Lauderdale County, Miss.

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Nov. 28, 1893.

PARENTS

Joseph Baxter Richardson---Born March 5, 1879, Lauderdale
County, Miss. Died Dec. 15, 1955
Buried in the Fellowship Baptist
Cemetery, Bailey, Center Hill
Community.

Ida Pearl Miles Richardson---Born in Lauderdale County
Miss. on January 1, 1880. Died
October 29, 1961. Buried in the
Fellowship Baptist Church
Cemetery, Bailey, Center Hill
Community. She was the daughter
of William Jasper Miles, born
in Virginia, on Aug. 24, 1840.
Died Aug. 9, 1916, and Mary Annie
McDonald Miles, born January 10,
1847.

CHILDREN

Cleen Richardson---Infant son of Baxter and Ida Richardson.

Cline Antene Richardson--Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
Oct. 26, 1901. Died Jan. 30, 1967.

Oval Linda Richardson----Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
on April 12, 1905.

Reynolds Lamar Richardson--Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
on July 3, 1907.

J. Thurman Richardson-----Born on December 17, 1911 in
Lauderdale County, Miss. Died Ju
July 30, 1973. Buried in the
Fellowship Baptist Church
Cemetery. Bailey, Center Hill
Community. Glene Haguewood
Richardson, wife of Thurman
Richardson. Born March 1, 1915.
Lauderdale County, Miss. Died
May 7, 1972. Buried in the
same cemetery.

Carnell Richardson-----Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
Dec. 27, 1914. Died Feb. 16,
1981. Buried in the Fellowship
Baptist Church Cemetery, Bailey
Center Hill Community.

Ida Lois Richardson-----Born on June 30, 1918, Lauderdale
County, Miss.

Elsie Will Richardson-----Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
June 21, 1921.

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McDonald Miles, born January 10
1847.

PARENTS

Raymond Leslie Harvey---Born in Lauderdale County, Miss. on
September 2, 1900. Died May 30,
1981

Opal Linda Richardson Harvey---Born in Lauderdale County
Miss. on April 12, 1905.

CHILDREN

Carol Elaine Harvey-----Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
on July 2, 1933.

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1981. Buried in the Fellowship
Baptist Church Cemetary, Bailey,
Center Hill Community.

Helen Nerrene Cunningham Richardson---Born in Lauderdale
County, Miss. on Aug. 20, 1917.

CHILDREN

Carnell Richardson Jr.---Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
on March 11, 1936.

Grady Joseph Richardson--Born Lauderdale County, Miss. on
July 10, 1937.

Larry Eugene Richardson--Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
October 3, 1939.

David Michael Richardson--Born February 11, 1946, Lauderdale
County, Miss.

Frances Diane Richardson--Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
November 17, 1950.

Jimmy Baxter Richardson--Born in Lauderdale County, Miss.
December 9, 1955.

HISTORY OF FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

Located about 12 miles north of
Meridian, in the Center Hill
Community

Begin in 1838

It was the Saturday before the second Sunday of April 1838, that 12 Citizens met in the Benjamin Carpenter Home for the purpose of organizing a Church of the Old Baptist belief. In the intervening years many changes have taken place in Lauderdale County, including the beginning of the city of Meridian. But on the same site, Fellowship Baptist Church has continued. It is the second oldest church in Lauderdale County.

The members chose the name Fellowship, in June of 1838, and the first church building, a log structure, was completed the first year.

In it's long history there have been five church buildings. The first one, built of logs, served 46 years. until 1884, when it was replaced by what was described as an up and down plank exterior. In 1906 an improved one room wooden building was erected, which served until 1949. At that time the first Sunday School Rooms were built along with the new auditorium. In 1961 a new auditorium was built and the former auditorium divided into educational space. In 1970 a new educational building was completed. The old Educational Building was sold to Tommy Blizard, which he remodeled and has rented it as a dwelling house.

COMPLETE RECORDS

Fellowship Baptist Church is unique in that it has it's complete minute and record books, covering the entire 144 years (1838-1982) of it's existance. Thirty six pastors have served the church, only the last five of whom have been full time. In order of their ministry they were James Alwood, William Allen, G.W. McDonald, Eli McDonald, Allen Moore, E. Pace, M.L. Clark, G. Gay, A. Winstead, A. Cressett, T.M. McDallister, W.L. Phillips, E.L. Stephens, Robert Duncan, J. L. Blanks, J.T. Graham, J.H. Williams, W.H. Rainer, F.A. Freeman, J.D. Cook, W.T. Carol, B.S. Gray, S.E. McAduy, H.B. Harrison, T.L. Harbour, B.S. Vaughn, Ed. Graysen, J.T. Phillips, T.B. McPheeters, Charlie Snowden, Houston Fitzgerald, Roland Barber, Harold Harris, Richard A. Sowards, Perry F. Zgarba, from Taylor, Texas, and Kenneth E. Walters, from Scott County, Mississippi.

Fellowship Baptist Church, is also known as Pace's Church. The Title evidently coming into use because a Rev. E. Pace served as pastor from 1849 until 1855, and Alsa Pace served as clerk of the church from 1849 until 1869.

Mrs. Lois Ethridge Kinard, a faithful member of Fellowship Baptist Church, was Church Clerk for twenty years. From 1954 until 1974. She died on September 26, 1974. She was also a Sunday School teacher for many, many years.

It was not until 1958 that Fellowship employed a full time pastor. Prior to that time the Rev. Houston Fitzgerald had served half time for almost 20 years.

A modern Parsonage was completed in 1959.

The following is a list of names of people that helped to found Fellowship Baptist Church.

George Head, Mergan Coats, Harprey Holland, Thomas Holland, Elizabeth Head, Sophia Coats, Nancy Holland, Nancy Carpenter, Elizabeth Sanderford, Willey Denton, Susan Coats. This was---Assigned by the Presbytery-- James Alwood, and William Allen.

FAMILY RECORD

James Brown, Sr. was born September 23, 1767, in the State of North Carolina.

The Adjutant General's Office of the War Department at Washington, D.C. gives the following statement.

The records show that James Brown, name not found as James Brown, Sr., rank not shown, served in the Revolutionary War in Captain Robert Fenner's Company, Second North Carolina Battalion, Commanded by Colonel John Fatten. His name appears on a Company Roll dated at Camp White Plains, September 9th, 1778. Which shows that he enlisted July 1, 1777, for three years.

Being large of stature at an early age, which still is noticed in his descendants, he was accepted in the Army at the age of eleven years.

On June 15, A.D. 1791, James Brown married Martha Gallman, daughter of John C. and Susan Gallman. Martha Gallman was born January 5th, 1775.

James and Martha Gallman Brown, reared a family of eight--four sons, and four daughters, all of whom they educated, which in those early days was especially commendable, due to the fact that there were no public schools and an education was very expensive for a large family.

Listed below are the names and births of the sons and daughters of this union.

Sartlett Brown was born February 6, 1793
 William Brown was born February 6, 1797
 Martha Brown was born September 25, 1801
 James Brown Jr. was born July 29, 1804
 Elizabeth Brown was born July 26, 1807
 Susan Catherine Brown, was born April 20, 1810
 David Montgomery Brown, was born November 6, 1812
 Eluzia Brown was born August 31, 1815
 (There was a daughter born Jan. 4, 1800, and
 died in the following June).

David Montgomery Brown left North Carolina in the late 1820's or the early 1830's, stopping in Georgia and not finding what he wanted for a home, left Georgia and stopped again in Alabama, where he met the charming and aristocratic Eliza A. Fort. Whom he later married. He did not find what he wanted for a home in Alabama either, so came over into Mississippi. Like most all pioneers, he was hunting for an ideal location. And having the means and time to search for just what he wanted, he went through to the western part of the State and not finding anything that he liked as well as Lauderdale County, he turned and came back to Lauderdale County and purchased land from the Government in 1835, and built a home in the northern part of the county, near where the Center Hill School now stands.

This home was built of logs, cut and hewn square by his negro slaves, and "Weatherboarded" on the outside and ceiled on the inside with 12" boards of heart, long leaf pine--the floor also being of the same material, with doors made of two boards each about 18" in width,

heart pine, which have never warped or deteriorated in any way to this writing (1937). This old home had two large square rooms with an open hallway between, a veranda running the length of the two rooms and hall with one small room on each end of the veranda, two rooms behind the larger ones on each side of the hall. The kitchen was detached from the main building, as was the custom in those days. The two larger rooms had wide fire places in each end. This home was not elaborage in any way, but was comfortable and substantial. The interior of the house is still in fairly good condition.

After having children of school age, David M. Brown being a man of educational advantages, realized the need of a school in this new county, where schools were few and far apart. He talked this over with other men of the community, which were very few, and suggested a meeting to decide on a site most centrally located for a school. The meeting was held under an oak tree that stood near where R.L. Brown's home now stands, and after the conference, it was decided that a house that David M. Brown, had built on this site was the most desirable place. He, therefore, loaned the house for this purpose. It was a one-room house with a large open fire place and windows with wooden shutters. The men of the community got together their slaves and had logs hewn into seats, by hand. It was a crude, but comfortable building, typical of that period (1844) Here David M. Brown was

teacher for many years, teaching his own sons as well as those of his neighbors. This school was located about one fourth mile from Drip Off Springs, and the school was called Drip Off School. Later the school was moved to another private house, and then still later into the Drip Off Baptist Church, which was very near these beautiful springs. This served as both church and school and had a new building for this purpose. This school, founded by David M. Brown, was attended by his children, some of his grand children and a few of his great-grand children, in one or the other of its different locations, before it was consolidated with Center Hill School in 1917.

Up to the beginning of the War between the States, David M. Brown was a wealthy man, owning much land, and many Negro Slaves, who tilled his acres. However, he continued to teach school for many years, as he felt that the cultivation of the mind was as important in this new country as cultivating his plantation, and men capable of teaching were scarce in those days.

On April 27th, 1858, Eliza A. Fort Brown, wife of David M. Brown, died. He then married Miss Rebecca J. Richardson, (daughter of Ransom C. and Lucinda A. Richardson) on August 2nd, 1858. Listed below are the children of this union.

Benjamin Franklin Brown, Born Jan. 27, 1859
 Mary Alice Brown, born Oct. 13, 1860
 Laura Luveria Brown, born Jan. 16, 1862
 Robert Lee Brown, born May 7, 1863
 Walter Scott Brown, born March 9, 1865
 Oscar Lavelle Brown, born Aug. 20, 1866
 Victor Eugene Brown, born March 1, 1872
 Ida L. Brown, born May 10, 1874
 Minnie Lee Brown, born March 20, 1876
 Redman Brown, born April 6, 1878

David M. Brown was the father of TWENTY CHILDREN-- fifteen sons and five daughters. He did not serve in the Confederate States Army, but contributed five sons to this cause. After the close of the War, having lost his slaves, he divided his plantation among his children, as they married, deeding each one his just share.

It was told by one of his surviving sons that in his old age he was fond of relating to his children and grand children, his many adventures during his early teaching days. Of his encountering wolves on many occasions while riding on horse-back to and from school, and of once meeting a bear---the country in those days being a wilderness, except for a few homes which were many miles apart..

David M. Brown was considered a just man, and many times his neighbors or friends would seek his advice in their difficulties. He was a friend to all--the poor and the rich alike. He was not a politician, but was interested in anything for the betterment of his community.

On November 27th, A.D. 1884, David Montgomery Brown's useful career was ended by death, at the age of 72 years.

David Montgomery Brown
Eliza Fort Brown
Rebecca J. Richardson Brown

Are buried in Fellowship Baptist Church Cemetery, in the
Sailey, Center Hill Community.

Below are the marriages of four of the children of
David M. Brown and Rebecca Richardson Brown.

Walter S. Brown and Tina Phillips Wright were
married December 2, 1894

Oscar L. Brown and Miss Mattie M. McDonald,
daughter of W.C. and Mary Gallespie McDonald,
were married Dec. 21, 1889

Miss Minnie L. Brown and R. Lee Miles, son of
Jasper and Mary Ann McDonald Miles, were
married December 3rd, 1895.

Victor Eugene Brown and Miss Addie Pool, were
married in Perry County, Miss. on March ____ 1902.