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The Moxley Baptist Church was constituted in 1894 and was received into the Concord Association during its 75th Annual Session in 1894.

This record starts in 1924, and in the Association minutes of that year Moxley reported 103 members. They also reported good B.Y.P.U. and Sunday School attendance. In that same year (1924), Moxley Church ordained Sid W. Beckham to the gospel ministry.

In 1925 we lived in the Salem community but visited the Moxley Baptist Church on several occasions. Later, we moved to Moxley and attended the church regularly.

I remember very well the wonderful services held there and the church would be so crowded one could hardly find a seat.

Some of the ministers I have heard preach at this church are: Rev. I. W. Enlow, Rev. S. A. Cooper, Rev. Sid Beckham, Rev. Early Aldridge, Rev. John Ransdell, Rev. Levi Kemper, and Rev. Willie Kemper.

Rev. John Ransdell once held a few days revival at Moxley, ending with an all-day service when we all brought basket lunches. Most of all, I remember Rev. Albion Arnold who was pastor for nine years and held so many good services.

Faithful workers came from far and near on horses, in wagons, buggies, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bibb and their family always came in a "surrey with a fringe on the top." My parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Carden, attended this church regularly. Other members, Mr. and Mrs.

Bill Keith, Mr. and Mrs. George Seay, were always there. Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Banion, never missed a service. Mr. Arch Seay was Sunday School Superintendent and a Sunday School teacher for years. Mr. Seay and his sister, Mrs. Ella Keith, were faithful workers in the church, trying to keep the services going, but members began moving away or passed away, and the church had to be closed.

Now the building stands, lonely and deserted, on its high hill in Moxley overlooking the Kentucky River, but its record of great revivals saved souls, and faithful workers is not closed, and its good influence on the lives of people who loved this church goes on.

Some of the ministers known to have served Moxley as pastor are: Louis Thomas, B. F. Hunter, S. A. Cooper, Sid W. Beckham, W. B. Kemper, and A. T. Arnold.

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