

Northside Baptist Church had its beginnings in July 1983 in the home of Alton and Janie Farris. It was a church start effort by three local Baptist congregations. The church met there for a few weeks.

There was a search for property in the FM 980 area. Interestingly, a small subdivision had been established by Mr. Weldon Burns of Conroe. The lot on the southwestern corner of the property was reserved by Mr. Burns, who thought someday there might be a church in the area. The steering committee for the new work was not aware of the property, and neither was Mr. Burns aware of the church start. The two came together through Tryon-Evergreen Baptist Association, and the new church start had a place to call home.

A mobile home was moved in and remodeled for use by the mission. The first worship service was held on June 4, 1984, and Sunday school started on June 17 of the same year. At this time, five families were attending the mission. Later that same month, the group adopted Northside Baptist Mission as its name.

By February 1985, the mission had grown to twelve families regularly attending. The average attendance was twenty-five. In May of 1987, Northside Baptist Mission opened its first permanent building consisting of a combination sanctuary-education facility with a small kitchen.

Two men led in the early days of the mission start. Martin Jones was the first Pastor who served for the first year. Then Randy Jones came for some time. On June 7, 1987, the church called Reagan Cooksey to serve as an interim pastor. In August 1987, Northside called Reagan as the permanent pastor of the mission. Thirty-two plus years later, Reagan remains as the senior pastor. On June 5, 1988 a service of constitution was conducted and the mission became a fully autonomous Southern Baptist Church and adopted the name Northside Baptist Church. The current staff of Northside consists of a group of tenured ministers. Micah Skinner is our Worship and College Pastor, Bob Slie serves as the Youth Pastor and all things tech, Stacey Fisher serves as our Children's Minister. Laurie McLaren serves as our office manager and administrative assistant. Our staff has over ninety-five years of ministry experience at NBC alone.

Today, Northside Baptist Church is a growing body of believers with just over 2600 members. Thanks to the generosity of Sam and Barbara Dominey, NBC has been able to continue to grow as they have given over twenty-eight acres to the church through the years. There have been several building programs to accommodate the church body as it has grown through the years. At present, the church is building a new state of the art worship center to seat 800. The tentative time to open this new facility is Christmas of this year.

Our mission statement is Growing people in Christ, to reach others for Christ. NBC strives to promote servant-hood evangelism, which means we want you to see the love of God in very practical ways. The desire is for you to see the church involved in the community. This community is where this body of believers lives and this is where the church should serve. You will see this magnificent church throughout the year at community events supporting our area youth and educators in HISD. NBC further supports local law enforcement, TDCJ, and Chamber of Commerce events. Northside continues to invest in the youth of our area through support of the Walker County Fair. Coffee Talk is an area event hosted by the church for women. It is free of charge and supported by the Women Of Northside ministry. There is an annual car show sponsored by the men's department. There is no charge to the community to attend, nor is there a charge for entering the show.

In short, Northside Baptist Church is what the church should be to its community.

Our schedule of services and upcoming events is available online at northside-baptist.org or find us on Facebook.

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