

History Committee Policy May 2022

Purpose: To assist the church in making and keeping accurate, comprehensive records of its current life and work. To gather and safeguard all historical records of the church. To help the church understand and learn from its own history. To help church members know and appreciate their larger heritage as Baptists.

Guidelines: The work of the Church History Committee concerns three major activities, collecting and safeguarding all records that can be found, making sure that the Church makes and keeps accurate records of its current programs and helping all the members to appreciate their Church through understanding its past.

Therefore, these guidelines should be followed:

- 1. Collect the records of the history of the Church.
- 2. Devise and encourage the use of a system whereby the records can be preserved and be readily available.
- 3. Lead the Church in recognizing the need for periodic updates of the history by writing and publishing.
- 4. Lead Church members to appreciate the Church through understanding the Church history, thereby becoming better witnesses.

Composition: The History Committee is composed of two members and does have vacancies available.

Other: The apostle Paul, writing to the Hebrews, recounted the history of God's people through the ages in Chapter 11, and followed that discourse with these

words from Chapter 12 verses 1 & 2: "And what of ourselves? With all these witnesses to faith around us like a cloud, we must throw off every encumbrance, every sin to which we cling, and run with resolution the race for which we are entered, our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom faith depends from start to finish: Jesus who, for the sake of the joy that lay ahead of him, endured the cross, making light of its disgrace, and has taken his seat at the right hand of God."

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