

Corydon Bible Church

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Corydon Bible (Photo by Ortha Green)

The Corydon Bible Church is one of the newer additions to the town of Corydon. This church stands on a 76 x 160 lot which is a part of lot No. 2 in North Corydon located on North West and Moore Street corner. This lot and foundation were purchased from Clarence and Marjorie Bunkofske on Aug. 29, 1959.

The Charter was granted on August 14, 1959, and building was immediately begun and progressed enough that by Nov. 29, 1959 the first Sunday School and Church services were held.

This body of Bible believers actually grew out of a Bible Study which was begun on Jan. 10, 1957. This Bible study was held in the Virgil Bettis and Dale McDougal homes, and it was led by Rev. John Ver Stagt of Numa, Iowa, and by men of the group. This group organized and held its first Sunday School and Church services in the Loren Bills building on the north side of the square on Sept. 6, 1959.

The names of the Charter members are; - Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dexter, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Lockridge, Mr. and Mrs. Dale McDougal, Mr. and Mrs. Earl McCullough, Jackie, Diane, Karen and Jeanie, Mrs. Grace Voyce, Mrs. Bertha Dunshee, Margaret Dunshee, and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Bettis.

The only Pastor the church has had is Rev. Davis Brown, who began his service May 15, 1960 and is still pastor.

The Church was officially Dedicated, Oct. 29, 1961, and Rev. Donald Brong, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Monroe, Ia. gave the dedication sermon. This church has been the meeting place for evangelistic, Bible teaching and Missionaries. A warm welcome to who so ever will come and worship the Lord and fellowship with us. We preach Jesus Christ, crucified, buried, risen and coming again.

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The Corydon Bible Church purchased lots on Hancock Street and Highway 14. in 1964. They erected a building of concrete blocks and it was Dedicated Nov. 11, 1965. The first services were held there in 1965. Needing more room they built on another room, being of brick structure, in 1969. The Dedication Service was held Nov. 2, 1969.

In 1971 the pastor here from time of first organization, *Rev. Davis Brown*, resigned and Rev. Leon L. Hofer took over the pastoral duties Oct. 1971, and is still with them.



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