

OUR CHURCH HERITAGE

The history of First Baptist Church begins, we believe, during the ministry of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We do not pretend to be able to give an absolutely accurate line of verifiable records all the way to Christ, but we believe that, according to the doctrine of church perpetuity, that line does exist. If this were not so, then Matthew 16:18 is not true.

The history of the Lord's churches in Wales, Ireland, and England is left to your study through the Anabaptists and others, but following is a brief trail of our history as it is found in records in the United States of America.

From Anabaptists of
England, Wales &
Ireland

First Baptist Church
Newport, R. I.
Pastor Dr. John Clarke
March, 1638

Cold Spring Bapt. Chur.
Bucks County, Penn.
Pastor Thomas Dungan
1684

Lower Dublin Baptist
Pennepeck, Penn.
Pastor Elias Keach
1688

Piscataway Baptist
Pastor John Drake
1689

Baptist Church at
Scotch Plains, NJ
Pastor Benjamin Miller
August 5, 1747

Baptist Church at
New York City
Pastor John Gano
June 19, 1762

Columbia Baptist Ch
Cincinnati, Ohio
Pastor John Smith
1790

Clear Creek Baptist
Ridgeville, Ohio
Pastor James Sutton
1797

Turtle Creek Baptist
Lebanon, Ohio
December 11, 1802

First Baptist Church
Dayton, Ohio
May 24, 1824

Linden Ave. Baptist
Dayton, Ohio
January, 1912
Later named
Emmanuel Baptist

Grace Baptist Church
Middletown, Ohio
January, 1945

FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH
Harrison, Ohio
Pastor Charles Ashcraft
March 28, 1948