

History Highlights

Of Westfort Baptist Church

Celebrating God's goodness to our church one decade at a time.

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1990 to 1999



The choir, 1998

From our church records

- 1991 – the platform is renovated and new carpeting is installed in the auditorium and foyer.
- November 8, 1992 - Andy Flatt, along with his wife, Theresa, begins his ministry at our church as associate pastor.
- 1992 – local Baptist churches join together in summer Sunday evening services
- November 27-29, 1992 – “Discovery ‘92” – special meetings with Dr. John Moore including a banquet at the Valhalla Inn on Friday night, an evangelism seminar on Saturday and the two services on Sunday.
- November 1995 – the church had the privilege of ordaining Andy Flatt to the ministry.
- Feb. 24, 1996 – long-time pastor, Rev. Arthur Leslie Bennett, goes to be with the Lord
- August 25, 1996 – Andy & Theresa Flatt's last Sunday at our church.
- 1997 – children's and young people's ministries included Sunday School, Junior Church, midweek Kids' Club, Vacation Bible Club, a week-long summer camp, and an annual canoe trip
- 1998 - a policy statement on Children's Ministry was formulated to ensure the safety of children involved in church programs

- 1998 – the windows and doors at the front of the church are replaced, being financed in the most part by a generous bequest from Pastor Bennett's estate.
- Easter 1998 – the choir and drama team present a major Easter production, “All Hail King Jesus.”
- 1999 - Dan Baxter continued the Ministry of Caring: visits to shut-ins and the elderly and provision of sermon tapes
- May 1 & 2, 1999 – our church cooperated in a Weekend of Hope with Dr. Barry Moore. Meetings were held at the Da Vinci Centre with a Saturday morning breakfast, a Saturday evening concert & dessert and a Sunday evening rally.

Hymns written in that period

How deep the Father's Love For Us
Shout to the North
The Heart of Worship
We Fall down
Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord



1995 Canoe Trip

Local History

- 1994 – The Thunder Bay International Airport undergoes a major overhaul with a new terminal and two new jetways.
- March 1995 – Thunder Bay hosted the World Nordic Ski Championship