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Saint Mark's Missionary Baptist Church

BUILT IN 1928 ON CENTRAL JUST WEST OF WATERMAN AVE.

For a few days in 1938, this building served as a refuge for families displaced from their homes by the historic flood.

St Mark's Missionary Baptist church was the first church built in Valley Truck Farm, built in 1928. It hosted Mill School students and community choirs. Over 90 years the church has only had four full-time pastors.





"Our family always attended St. Mark's Missionary Baptist Church. We loved all of the activities, which included Sunshine Band, Youth for Christ, choir, hayrides, young men's group, and Vacation Bible School."

- Donald Jackson and Irma Jackson Ford VTF Scrapbook



*Thank
you!*



The fourth and current Pastor, Percy Harper, remembered the rich community in the church and Valley Truck farm community, "children could count on receiving the same love and discipline in any home they visited through the community." Pictured above is Pastor Percy Harper with niece, Lauren Carey.



Sources:

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Pastor Percy Harper Oral History

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