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Forrest Feezor - 30th Pastor

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DR. FORREST C. FEEZOR

Dr. Forrest Feezor served as Interim Pastor from September 1964 through
March 1965. Someone has said, "To hear Dr. Feezor pray is to know the source
of his strength."

He was born, one of eight children, in Lexington, N. C. July 1, 1892.
He knew what it was to live and work on a farm. His early education was re-
ceived in a one-room log building. He combined scholarliness with athletic
participation in college--football and basketball. He attended Wake Forest
College, Wake Forest, N. C.; ← *Graduating in 1920* Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louis-
ville, Kentucky; and the University of Chicago. He received the Doctor of
Divinity Degree from Wake Forest College in 1934.

From 1923 until 1926 Dr. Feezor was Professor and Director of the Bible
Department at William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri. His pastorates for
the period 1926-1953 included Second Baptist Church, Liberty, Missouri; Taber-
nacle Baptist Church in Raleigh, N. C.; Broadway Baptist in Fort Worth, Texas;
and First Baptist in Waco, Texas. In 1953 he was elected Executive Secretary
of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. He retired in 1960 being the
first person ever to retire from the office.

From 1952 until 1955 he was speaker for the Voice of America's shortwave
network. In 1958, with the aid of interpreters, he made a preaching tour of
the Orient at the invitation of the Southern Baptist Convention's Foreign
Mission Board. Since his retirement, he and Mrs. Feezor spent a year on the
island of Formosa. He served as Interim Pastor of the First Baptist Church
of Asheville, N. C. before coming to Shelby. *Dr. Feezor is now living
in Dallas Texas in the winter and at
Black mountain N.C. in the summer doing
evangelistic work.*