

North American Baptist Heritage Commission

# Church Histories



Present building – remodeled in 1975 and addition 1982

## **Ebenezer First Baptist Church, Ebenezer, Saskatchewan**

In 1889, a number of Christian families who had immigrated from Germany, Poland, Russia, and other areas of Europe made a decision to build a church two and one-half miles west of Ebenezer, which at that time was known as Noka. This little log church was soon outgrown, and two new churches were built. Later on they again became one church. A parsonage was built in 1912. Rev. Richard Schilke, who served as NAB General Mission Secretary from 1951-1976, was a son of this church.

Twenty-four pastors served the church during its first seventy-five years. Thirteen “sons and daughters” of Ebenezer Baptist Church have entered full-time Christian service. Ebenezer church was “mother” church to stations at Homestead and Endeavor. Through the years, numerous changes and renovations were made. Also, a few different parsonages were built. In the early days of the church there was only one songbook, with the pastor reading a line and then the congregation would sing. The church has had times of celebration for various anniversaries of the church.

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**1889**

**Bibliographical sources: [Published articles – Baptist Herald & Other]**

Reunion '80: Celebrate Saskatchewan 1905-1980. "A Time to Remember."

75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1911-1986 of Ebenezer Baptist Church

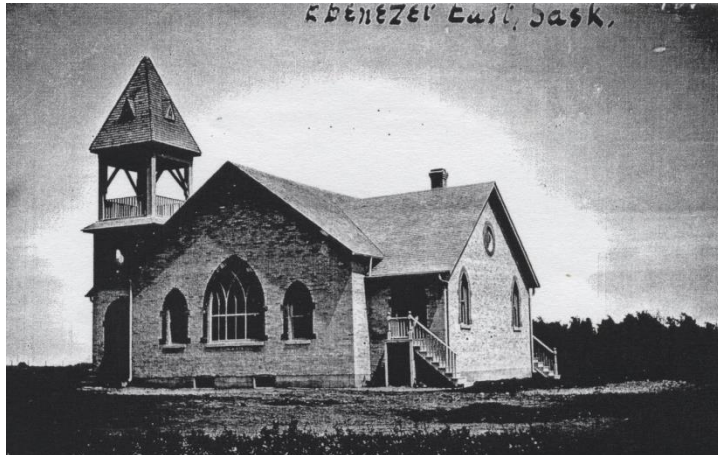
50 Golden Years. Ebenezer Baptist Church 1911-1961

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary book (German) 1889-1979

**Archival sources in North American Baptist Heritage Center:**

Ordination minutes for Norman Taylor, 1966

Photos



East Ebenezer - 1911

