

Timeline

- 1920 Bethel Baptist voted to establish a Baptist church at Lizella. (August 7)
- 1920 Church met in its own house of worship. (November 21)
- 1922 Lizella Church released by Bethel Baptist to be an independent church. (August 5)
- 1922 Reverend Williams from Mercer moderated meeting with Baptists to organize a church. Eleven names called of people desiring membership. October 1st set for dedication of church and conference adjourned. (September 17)
- 1922 Church dedicated, pastor called and delegates elected to the Rehoboth Association. Nine additional names were added to the church roll. (October 1)
- 1925 Sunday School was organized with L.W. Lewis as Superintendent and Homer Mosely as Secretary of Sunday School.
- 1927 W.J. Sanders elected as first treasurer. (September 25)
- 1933 Members met in called conference to discuss building a church. (March 23)
- 1933 At conference adopted building plans drawn by T. Hubert Mosely. (April 16)
- 1933 Remodeling of school building began including removal of upstairs. (April 17)
- 1936 Mrs. W.J. Sanders elected church pianist and served in that capacity for many years. (October 4)
- 1937 Baptismal pool constructed. (June)
- 1937 First baptisms: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ivey, Mrs. W.L. Mosely, Charles Clyde Sanders, Lois McElmurray, Charlie King and Alma Mosely. (September 4)
- 1939 First wedding in the church, Ruth Wynn and Floyd Aultman. (August 25)
- 1942 W.C. Corley ordained as minister, first ordination ceremony for LBC. (October)
- 1948 First recorded Vacation Bible School. (June)
- 1949 First church homecoming with 117 in attendance. (September 18)
- 1951 Members voted 16-7 in favor of a full-time church. (May 23)
- 1955 First pastor to move into pastorium. (June 1)
- 1956 Pastorium dedication and note burning ceremony. (December 9)
- 1958 Church voted to build an Education Building. (January 29)
- 1959 Educational Building (present Building A) dedicated. (February 1)
- 1959 Church voted to departmentalize the Sunday School on a trial basis. (January 7)
- 1960 The first Girls' Auxiliary (GA) coronation was held. Crowned were Sherry McCallum, Ruth Mosely, Sara Frances Marshall and Linda Hudgins. GA Director was LaVerne McCallum. (May 14)
- 1961 Louis Fullington elected as first Brotherhood president. (December 31)
- 1962 Church members voted to build new sanctuary. (September 9)
- 1962 During 40th homecoming service, note burning ceremony for the Educational Building, present Building A. (September 16)
- 1963 Church called its first full-time pastor, Rev. Ronnie Smith. (October)
- 1965 Lizella Baptist Church Incorporated for period of 35 years. (February 10)
- 1965 Last service held in the 1933 wooden sanctuary. (October 31)
- 1966 In special conference, church members accepted plans for new sanctuary. (February 20)
- 1966 Members accept bid of \$80,688 by Whitehead Brothers Construction Company to build sanctuary. (March 27)
- 1966 Church constitution adopted. (April 27)

- 1966 First service in new, brick sanctuary. (November 20)
- 1967 Dedicatory service for new brick sanctuary. (June 18)
- 1967 Library established with Shirley Collier as librarian. (July)
- 1968 Church voted to add bedroom, bath and hallway to the Pastorium (April 10)
- 1972 50th anniversary celebration. Reverend Forrest Lanier served as homecoming speaker. (September 17)
- 1972 Nursery enlarged and Education Building carpeted. (November 8)
- 1972 Initial meeting and organization of Golden Fellowship. (December 12)
- 1978 Added Education Annex. (March)
- 1986 First service in remodeled sanctuary. (June 1)
- 1991 Education Building addition (Bldg. B) completed with fellowship hall, kitchen. (October)
- 1991 Series of outdoor revivals at Lizella ballpark known as Starlight. (October)
- 1996 Church votes to withdraw from the Macon Baptist Association. (May 15) and realigns with Rehoboth Baptist Association the following year.
- 1997 75th Anniversary Celebration. (September 14)
- 2000 Barbecue pit constructed. Badly damaged by a tornado on May 11, 2008 and rebuilt same year.
- 2002 Dedication ceremony held for the Christian Life Center (CLC). The building consisted of a gym, educational/Sunday School rooms, mezzanine and kitchen. (August 25). The partially completed Student Life Center was finished in 2005.
- 2005 Administrative Council established. (July 2005)
- 2006 Line item added to church budget of \$4,000 to support the Anchor Church as a new church plant.
- 2008 LBC begins mission trips to New Life Children's Home in Cieneguilla, Peru.
- 2009 Lindsey Bell Memorial Scholarship Fund first recipient, Scott Wolfe.
- 2010 First mission trip to Honduras.
- 2012 Mission team makes first visit to Wears Valley Ranch Children's Home in Tennessee. (September)
- 2012 First mission trip to Uganda.
- 2013 G.O.A.L. Ministry (God Outshines All Limitations) inaugural Special Needs Fellowship. (February 8)
- 2013 A note burning ceremony retiring the debt on the Christian Life Center held in the CLC. (November 17)
- 2017 Church housed evacuees from Hurricane Irma. (September)
- 2018 Inaugural "Awesome August" featured pastors Rusty Smith, Larry Wynn, Tim McCoy, Brian Moore and Mike Stone.
- 2019 Pickleball court completed. (September)
- 2020 First sermon in Worship Center (former CLC gym). Streamed due to Covid-19 restrictions. (May 10)
- 2020 Dedication of Pirkle Park, community playground and recreation area. (May 21)

Centennial Celebration history provided by Alan Marsh, Lizella Baptist Church, 2022.