were Herman Harris, Robert Earnest, L. P. Diffay, Johnson Tinsley, Speedie McDowell, Sr., Homer Chavis, Timothy Owens and R. M. Scott.

In 1953, Rev. Taborn established a Building Committee naming R. M. Scott Chairman. Other members were Elmer Brown, Eddie Glover, Speedy McDowell, Dawson Banks, Sr., Nathaniel Banks, Eugene Suggs, James Henderson, Nathan Williams, James Trotter, Herman Jordan, C. A. Martin and Cecil Pope.

The leadership of Bethel passed from Rev. Taborn, who died, to Rev. Parks, but the building program continued. Under the slogan "Let Us Rise Up and Build" Mr. Scott encouraged Bethel to continue to build. Mr. Scott was still chairman of this committee at the time of his death on January 23, 1957. In 1957 the leadership of Bethel was changed again because of the death of the pastor. Rev. C. M. Curry assumed leadership and continued the building program. Before Rev. Parks' death, he had established a Planning Committee for a new building. Eugene Suggs was elected chairman and other members of the committee were Erma Bridgewater, Ora Edwards, Herman Jordan, Eddie Glover, Cecil Pope, James Henderson and Kenneth Stratton. Rev. Curry added Arthur Evans, Nathaniel Banks and George L. Pope to the planning committee.

On April 6, 1958, ground was broken using the plans of architects Laz and Edwards. After many meetings and exchanges of ideas, the final plans were presented to the church conference and the conference approved the same. Construction began in the fall of 1958, and was completed in early 1959. On April 26, 1959, the church was dedicated.