

After the death of Mr. Cleghorn there came a call for “help” in the Baptist work. Although there had been many small churches established in the late 50's there were only two remaining churches—Queen St. Baptist and Crooked Tree Baptist.

In the 1960's there arrived two missionary couples (Pearsons and Dellingers) to form a stragedy to foster the Baptist ministry. Several local leaders became prominent in leadership. The first local missionaries (Nancy Robinson and Margot Pascascio) were commissioned to minsiter in the area. In 1967 the BAPTIST ASSOCIATION was formed serving the existing churches. In 1972 the Bible Extension School was established to train leaders. Lloyd Stanford began to fill an important roll in the ministry in the 1970's. Evangelism Explosion played an important roll in evangelism starting in 1975.

The Baptist Association was incorporated as THE BAPTIST CHURCH OF BELIZE in 1976. The Southern Baptists were invited to be a part of the Association in 1979 forming a group that vowed to be called “Belizean Baptists” and not that of the historical past. Baptist Day was established to promote loyalty to the cause of Baptists.

After the forming of the Spanish speaking ministry in the 1980's the Baptist Associaaion had part in commissioning ministers to Honduras, Guatemala and El Salvador.