BAPTIST CHURCH
IS 50 YEARS OLD

Abbeville Congregation to Celebrate at Both Services Today

ABBEVILLE, La., April 21. (Sp)—The fiftieth anniversary of the Abbeville Baptist church will be observed at programs Sunday at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m., with Dr. Duke McCullough, president of the Baptist Bible Institute of New Orleans, as the featured speaker. It was announced by the Reverend M. G. Fall, pastor.

During the morning program O. J. Moss will outline the history of the Abbeville church and Mrs. D. G. Miller will report on tithers. Mrs. T. G. McCall will tell of its growth. L. G. Miller will report on tithers.

"At the 50th year in the life of our local church, with great confidence in God's leadership in the achievement of many goals," declared Mr. Fall, "Ninety persons were won to Christ during the year, 30 new tithers enlisted, 300 were enrolled in the Sunday school, 100 were enrolled in the Baptist Training union, 100 were enrolled in the Woman's Missionary society, and 30 new Sunday school teachers and officers provided their leadership during the year."

The Abbeville Baptist church was organized 50 years ago by a group of new comers from Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and north Louisiana, said the pastor in reviewing the history of the local church. During the past two years the church has added a Sunday school annex building, completely remodeled and refinished the main building, indirect lighting has been installed and the building is cooled by attic fans. The Rev. Mr. Fall came to Abbeville in 1945 from the position of associate pastor of the Second Baptist church in Hot Springs, Ark.