

Cedar Cliff United Methodist Church

ROUTE 1 - Box 390

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HISTORY OF CEDAR CLIFF UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:

Location: Rt. 1, Box 390, Cedar Cliff Road in Alamance County, Graham, N. C.

The Church was organized in 1885 originally as Wesley Methodist, later it became a Methodist Protestant Church, then Methodist, and now United Methodist. The church was named after Grist Mill across Haw River. Martha Jones became the first preacher and then later she married a Holderby who also preached and served as community mail carrier.

Sunday School was held only during summer months and was begun years later with Benjamin Sharpe and Rev. H. S. B. Thompson serving as first Superintendents.

The cemetery was started February 1914 with the burial of Catharine Payne.

The present structure is a combination of the original and a newer addition which was added in 1948. The original sanctuary presently serves as children's classrooms and is much like it was originally with partitions added to make use of this original one room church.

Cedar Cliff will move from its present location to the opposite corner in late October or early November.