Reorganized Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints in Corydon

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Our first meetings were held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Evans located in Corydon, Iowa, this was January:6,:1949. At this time as far as we knew we had seventeen members in Wayne county. We met in this home till December 16, 1951, when we started meeting in a school house which we had purchased near Lineville, Iowa. and moved to Lots 2-3 block 2 Miles addition, purchased from the Mayor C.E. Corporan, located at the corner of Lincoln and Maple streets in Corydon, to Earl T. Higdon, stake Bishop of Corydon Group for \$1.00 and o.v.c. dated Oct. 10, 1951 (BK 38-page 288).

We organized into a mission on Dec. 16, 1951 with the following active members; Darl and Georgia Ruble - Ronald Ruble - Danny Ruble - Evelyn Scott - Donna Crozier - Oscar and Julia Sharp - John and Sarah Evans - Verl and Eva Ruble - Ruth Sears - Carl Dunlap - Chester Dunlap - Sam Dunlap - Emma Dunlap. Several members scattered in the county who did not attend at that time. At this meeting Oscar Sharp was elected pastor which position he has held each year since the organization. We now have a membership of thirty-eight, with more baptisms coming this fall. In April 1960 Special Services were held.

Feeling that we had outgrown our little school house we raised the money and in May 1962 a ground breaking service was held for the new church located on the same lots. Mayor Pearl McMurry took 1st shovel. A one story 26 ft. by 48 ft. building will be erected. The building was completed and Dedication Services were held Sunday Oct. 21, 1962 with Bishop G. Leslie Delapp of Independence Mo. as featured speaker. Over 100 people attended.