

Mt Olive Methodist South Branch

By Ortha Green

The following information was taken from the writing of Blanche Dickson and Joseph Duncan.

The Mount Olive Methodist Church was built in 1886. Benjamin Wasson, John Sears, Perry Sears, Wm. Christie, James Belvel and Benjamin Hammond contributed for the building. (perhaps many others)

Fletcher Browning did the carpenter work on the church building.

William S. McCarty was one of the earliest members.

This church was located in the S.E. corner of Sec. 31,68-23, in Jefferson township. No date available when

it ceased to exist, but it has been gone for many years. Rev. Gerald Rogers, pastor in 1921 in Lineville -Clio circuit.

The Lineville Tribune dated Dec. 1942 states;

More than 75 people gathered at Mt. Olive church Sunday night to enjoy a Christmas program which had been prepared by the teachers and pupils of the Lone Star, Pin Oak and Pleasant View schools. Their teachers, Mrs. Paul Shira, Miss Norma Williams and Kenneth Wilson. Every number was a good one and reflected much credit on teachers and pupils.

Cambria Christian Church

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Mrs. Effie Garton, 1955.

In the year 1889 a Christian Church was organized at Cambria, Iowa with the Rev. A.B. Cornwell helping to organize. The meeting house was erected the same year. Located on Lots 1 & 2 in block 9 on Cottonwood Street.

The following is a partial list of pastors. No dates available; Rev. A.D. Richard- 1st pastor, Rev. L.C. Wilson, Rev. W.W. Burke, Rev. Chase, Rev. P.H. Green, Rev. Frost, Rev. Leonard, Rev. Win. Matsler,

part time, Rev. Gantz, part time, and Rev. A.B. Cornell part time.

The church was in use for many years. Due to the members moving to new locations they surrendered their charter and the land was sold to Eddie Relph. The building was struck by lightning and burned in 1949

Sewal Christian Church

This church was located in the center of Sec. 34, 68-21, Jackson township north of the original town on

the north side of the road.

No other information available.