

HISTORY
of
MOUNT ZION CHARGE

Bethel Church

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Ramah Church

In 1867 Bethel M.E. Church was organized by Rev. John Murphy. The Charter members were Wm Jennings, L. H. Grippies, Charles and Wm Boyles, with each of their families and others. They built a log house on land given by Wm Crawford on the present site of Bethel Camp ground. This was used as a Church and school house for some years. In the early eighties a frame structure was erected nearer the spring than the old log house and used until 1892 when the present building was erected up near the road on land bought of J. L. Lambert. In 1868 or 1869 the first Campmeeting was held on the ground with only five tent holders, Dr. Hicks Martin, Charles and William Boyles, L. H. Grippies and Simeon Harrison. They have held Camp meetings almost continuously since, with two or three omissions, in 1884, 1917 and I think 1920. They have Campus

Of near 13 acres of land, with
fine spring, Camp and Church
land.

Some of the former Pastors are;

Rev. W. J. Atha

Rev. Alton L. Smith

Rev. W. D. Webb

Rev. J. W. Taylor

Rev. H. S. Bowden