HISTORY

of

MOUNT ZION CHARGE

Bethel Church
Mount Zion Church
Ramah Church
In 1867 Bethel M.E. Church was organized by Rev. John Murphy. The charter members were Ulysses Jennings, J. H. Griffies, Charles and Ulysses Boyles, with some of their families and others. They built a log house on land given by Ulysses 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 Camp Meeting was held on the ground with only five tent holders, Dr. Hicks Martin, Charles and William Boyles, J. H. Griffies and Simon Davison. 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 Yard.
Some of the former pastors are:

Rev. W. J. Atha
Rev. Alton J. Smith
Rev. W. H. Wells
Rev. J. W. Taylor
Rev. H. J. Bowden