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DODSON MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Dodson Memorial Methodist Church was named for E. L. Dodson, who was a Methodist Protestant Minister.

The Church was organized in 1926 by A. O. Post, Minister. S. C. Campbell was the first pastor. E. N. "Bud" Morris, W. M. Morris and A. O. Post were the first trustees. Mrs. W. M. Morris, Mrs. H. T. Baker and Mrs. J. F. Williamson were the Stewards the first year. Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Baker and J. R. Wynn, Sr. were those members composing the Building Committee.

Dodson Church is located in Carrollton, Carroll County, Georgia on Burson Avenue. The building erected in 1926 cost approximately \$3,200.00 and the lot on which the church was built was purchased for \$350.00.

In 1927, Andrew Jenkins and A. O. Post were instrumental in securing an appropriation of \$1,000.00 from the Annual Conference. This was applied toward the building expenditures.

At the time of organization, there were 20 members of this Church. At the present time, the membership totals 50. There has been a decline in membership in recent years.

The members are now worshipping in the same building that was erected in 1926. However it has been remodeled extensively since that time. We have a nice brick-veneered Church, located on the same lot. The church is now evaluated at \$8,000.00.

We do not own a parsonage, or any other property beside the church building and lot.

Since organization, our Pastors have been: S. C. Campbell (first); Andrew Jenkins; W. M. Hunton; W. C. Harris; M. L. Spain; S. C. Hicks; J. P. Irvin; Rev. Lamar; J. V. Speer; Donald Gray; W. J. Lamb; C. L. Harris; Vernon Windom; Arthur Griffies; Alton I. Smith (present pastor).

The Presiding Elders, or District Superintendents, serving us have been: William H. LaPrade; B. Frank Pim; Wills M. Jones; and Delma L. Hagood, who is presently Superintendent of the Rome District.

We have sent out three Ministers of the Gospel from this Church. They are: Vernon Wynn, Frank Ellison and C. L. Harris. There have been several great revivals sponsored by this church and we have had some great Ministerial and Lay Leaders.

The first Sunday School sponsored by this Church was organized in 1926. A Mr. Edwards was the first Superintendent of the Sunday School, and A. O. Post was the teacher of the Bible Class. We have maintained an active Sunday School here almost constantly since the beginning of the church.

The only other organization sponsored by our Church was a Women's Society of Christian Service, which is in an inactive status at the present time.

The Church contributed \$800.00 the first year for all causes. Last Conference Year, we contributed about \$500.00 for all causes.

We are fortunate to have three of the original charter members still with us. They are: Mrs. H. T. Baker, Mrs. J. F. Williamson and E. N. Morris.

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