Mt. Carmel Methodist Church is located two and one-half miles north of Norcross on the Peachtree road in Gwinnett County. It was organized in 1828. There are no records prior to the Civil War. The information given below was gathered from old residents.

About a dozen church members gathered and decided to organize and build a church. Among them being Robert McAfee, Jack Gregory, Wiley Jones, Billie Ginkins and others. Daniel N. Pittman though not a member of any church, but a very liberal hearted man, owning the land lot, gave five acres for church purpose. He also helped with his money in various ways. He later moved to Lawrenceville and joined the Baptist Church.

The first building was erected about the time the church was organized. It was built of hewn timber after the custom of the day. The second building was erected in 1876 under the pastorate of Rev. W.T. Lane and enlarged in 1876 under the pastorate of Rev. M. M. Newton. The present building was erected in 1925 under the pastorate of Rev. . Duncan.

The church was of the Lawrenceville Circuit until the sixties. Since that time in other circuits, Norcross, Tucker, Duluth. At the present time Mt. Carmel and Sharon form the charge in the East Atlanta District, by action of the North Georgia Annual conference session of June 1951.


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APPROVED BY THE OFFICIAL BOARD; IN A MEETING IN SESSION, January 20 1952.

Read and approved by the pastor, William M. Winn,
February 26 1952.

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Mrs. Carmel- Sharon Charge.
It is desired that certain pertinent facts regarding the MOUNT CARMEL METHODIST CHURCH OF NORCROSS, GEORGIA BE MADE CLEARER IN IT'S RECORDED HISTORY, HENCE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN IT'S RELATIONSHIP IN THE METHODIST CONFERENCE IS MADE A MATTER OF RECORD:

MOVED TO ATLANTA - EAST DISTRICT & NEW CHARGE CREATED

BY ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF JUNE 1951.

By action of The North Georgia Annual Conference, of THE METHODIST CHURCH, IN IT'S SESSION OF JUNE 1951, held in The Wesley Memorial Church of Atlanta, Georgia, under the leadership of Bishop Arthur J. Moore, the Mount Carmel Church was removed from the Gainesville District, where it was a part of the DULUTH-WARSAW CHARGE, and placed under the ATLANTA-EAST DISTRICT, which was then under the leadership of Rev. W. Rembert Sisson as District Supt. Mt. Carmel was placed on a newly created charge with Sharon Methodist Church of Dunwoody, Ga. (R.F.D.1, ½ mile east of the Atlanta-Reswell Rd. - 1½ miles south of Reswell, Ga.) Each church representing half station position of the charge to be known as MOUNT CARMEL-SHARON CHARGE. The Reverend William M. Winn (Jr) was appointed by this session of Annual Conference to serve as Pastor of the Charge.

MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH REFURNISHED AND REFINISHED IN SPRING OF 1952.

As may be noted by the Photo of the interior of this church, which was made during a wedding, New Pews, New Pulpit and pulpist roster chairs, together with new chairs for the choir and Sunday School rooms were donated and replaced the old home made pews brought over from the old original church. The Gethis Architecture of the unfinished raw pine wood work of the new brick building constructed in 1925 was completely refinished in a beautiful natural with shellac and clear varnish.
In this refurnishing program it is an important part to say that every New Pew was given by some church member or close friend of the church in honor of or to the memory of some loved one. Bronze plaques were made and attached to the Pews down the center aisle of the church indicating these gifts and those so honored. The New Pulpit was given by the pastor, Rev. William M. Winn (Jr) in memory of his Grandfather, the Reverend William M. Winn (Sr.) who was also pastor of this church in the years of 1885 -'88. This was also memorialized with a bronze plaque which is attached to the pulpit.

The first series of Evangelistic Services held in this church after these improvements was started on Mother's Day of 1952 with the preaching of the pastor's father, the Reverend Elisha Starr Winn, retired minister, then of Fitzgerald, Ga., who was the son of the former pastor the Rev. William M. Winn (Sr.)

A great outpouring of the Holy Spirit marked these days of a full week.

WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE ORGANIZED IN AUGUST 1952

Net since the days of the WOMEN'S MISSIONARY AND PARSONAGE AID SOCIETY in THIS CHURCH SPONSORED A SOCIETY OF WOMEN. Upon request of the Pastor, Mrs. Lawrence McGord and Mrs. Eelsenbeck of Atlanta called together the ladies of Mount Carmel and on August 20, 1952, a new W. S. C. S. was organized in this church with sixteen charter members, the following officers were elected as CHARTER OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT .......................................................... Mrs. Homer BUSH
Vice Pres. ............................................................ Mrs. Wesley Harmon
Asst. Vice Pres. & Sec. of Spiritual Life ............. Mrs. Forrest Smith
Sec. & Treas ......................................................... Mrs. Irwin Ivy
Sec. Local Church Activities & Christian social relations ... Mrs. Dorsey Bolton
Sec. Christian Education ........................................ Mrs. Clarisse Grogan
Sec. of Promotions ................................................ Mrs. Marcelia Ivy

It was decided to establish the third Wednesday afternoon of each month as a time for each regular monthly meeting to assemble and to meet at the church unless otherwise decided and so announced.

THIS STRONG ARM OF THE CHURCH IS FUNCTIONING AND MEANING MUCH TO THE SPIRITUAL LIFE OF THIS CHURCH AND COMMUNITY.
In October of 1952 a METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP ORGANIZED WITH NINE CHARTER MEMBERS ELECTING THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT ........................................... Miss Jan Grogan
Vice Pres & Program Director ............... Miss Ellen Bolton
Sec.- Treas ......................................... Mr. Homer Bush Jr.

Regular weekly meetings were agreed upon and to convene each Sunday at 6:00 P.M. at the church. This organization is fully supported by the pastor and the church and the W.S.C.S. will closely sponsor it.

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE OFFICIAL BOARD OF THE CHURCH, HELD ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 10th, 1953, the following OFFICERS WERE NAMED AND ELECTED AND/OR REELECTED TO SERVE FOR THE ENSUING CONFERENCE YEAR: 1953-54:

AS STEWARDS: Mr. H. Dorsey Bolton
Mrs. L. J. Cox
Mrs. Homer H. Bush Sr.
Mr. A. L. Lowery
Mr. Forrest Smith,
Mr. Jno. Wesley Harmon

The following new stewards were added:
Mr. Wade H. Grogan Sr.
Mr. Homer H. Bush Sr.

AS HONORARY STEWARD & TRUSTEE: - Mrs. Lala Summerhour

AS CHURCH TRUSTEES:
Mr. H. Dorsey Bolton
Mr Frank Carroll
Mr Grady Simpson
Mr Guy Ivy

The following New Trustees were added:
Mr Wade Grogan (Sr.)

ANOTHER OFFICIAL ACT AT THIS MEETING OF THE OFFICIAL BOARD OF MOUNTCARMEL CHURCH WAS TO AUTHORIZE A REPORT TO THE NEXT AND FOURTH SESSION OF QUARTERLY CONFERENCE FOR THIS CHARGE TO STATE THE AUTHORIZED MINIMUM SALARY FOR THE PASTOR FROM THIS CHURCH TO BE RAISED FROM $400.00 to $650.00. THIS WILL MAKE THE AUTHORIZED MINIMUM PASTOR'S SALARY FOR THE CHARGE FOR THE ENSUING YEAR 1953-54 AT $900.00. (This represents an increase in the past two years of $285.00 for the charge.

This supplement submitted by the pastor, WILLIAM M. WINN, and the act was approved by the Official Board at their meeting of May 10th, 1953.

WILLIAM M. WINN (Jr)
Pastor.