HISTORY PINEY GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
JUNE 9, 1952

Hall Charge

Frank Davie donated one acre of land, three miles southeast of Flowery Branch on the Tom Lott Road, for the purpose of establishing a public school, and also for undenominational worship, in 1916.

Sen. Frank Duncan gave the stock for the frame of the building. People in the community cut the stock and constructed the building. Money was donated from people in the community and vicinity for the completion of building. The building was completed in 1916, and value was estimated at $2000.

The building was used for public school. On Sunday religious services were held. Ministers from different denominations held services until 1941. In 1938 the public school was consolidated with Flowery Branch and the building was used for religious services only.

First Sunday school was organized in 1916, Henry Wayne was superintendent, with twenty-five members in different classes.

Reverend Paul Smith organized the Piney Grove Methodist Church, August 8, 1941. Mr. Tom J. Lott was the leader. Following list of charter members: Mr. Tom J. Lott, Mrs. Tom J. Lott, Miss Grace Lott, Mr. M. B. Lott, Mrs. M. B. Lott, Mrs. C. F. Lott, Mr. R. W. Garth, Mrs. R. W. Garth, Mr. R. R. Lott and Mrs. R. R. Lott.

Five members have been gained: Mr. C. F. Lott, Master Tommy Lott, Misses Carolyn and Mary Lott, and Mr. T. D. Lott. Miss Grace Lott was first Sunday School Superintendent after the church was organized.

Two members have been lost by death. Special mention is made to the memory of Mr. Tom J. Lott and Miss Grace Lott who worked faithfully for the church, and their services have been deeply missed.

Reverend Paul Smith continued as pastor of Piney Grove until 1950. He served faithfully, travelling over dirt roads and coming in all kinds of inclement weather. He was a wonderful pastor and an inspiration to the community.

Reverend William G. Garrard is present pastor of Piney Grove coming to the church in June 1950. He is a fine, young minister, and is doing outstanding work.