

HISTORY
Of
WACO CHARGE

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Circuit riders came to a bush arbor for preaching services at Pleasant Hill before the present structure was built in 1875. When the need of the more permanent building became apparent Mr. M. A. McCorkle deeded the land and became one of the first members. He also served as Sunday School Superintendent for thirty or forty years.

"Uncle Billy Walton" was another of the first members and a builder of the Church. In 1875 there were few saw mills and consequently "Uncle Billy" dressed the lumber by hand.

Besides the two men already mentioned (and their families), the following (and their families) were among the first members: George Walton; Jack Walton; Doc Walton; J. E. Brown; Bill Jennings; Arch Tally; Duncan Newman; Bennett Bates; Jack Thompson; "Bud" Slaughter; John Tally; Bill and Charley Lipham; and others of whom we have no record.

Early pastors included (in approximate chronological order): Dempsey; William Walton; John P. Irwin; Gray (missionary to China); J. N. Mize; G. P. Braswell; Frazer; Koffman; B. F. Mize; A. B. Sanders; Hughes; Callaway; C. C. Allen; and Ivey.

The Church has been on three Charges in the Rome District (North Georgia Conference). At first it was on the Waco (M.E.South) Charge; then in about 1925 it was transferred to Tallapoosa; then in 1949 it was on the

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Mt. Zion Charge for one year; since then it has been back on the Waco Charge.

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