HISTORY OF SHARON METHODIST CHURCH
DUNWOODY, GA. R. F. D. 1

Meetings were first held in the Sharon community in homes during the winter months and under brush arbors in the summer months. Preaching services were conducted by visiting Preachers from Sandy Springs, Roswell and locally. The Church was organized in 1897.

The property where Sharon Church now stands was deeded by Mr. A. J. Copeland and Mr. George Wing to the Trustees on July 26, 1897. The following members were Trustees at that time.

Mr. Hiram B. Childs
Mr. J. A. Park
Mr. G. J. Copeland

The Women of the community secured donations of money by solicitation and the men furnished lumber and by doing the work themselves built a small church. This Church was called "The Mission" because anyone was welcome to come and preach and worship regardless of their belief or membership.

This Mission joined the Methodist Conference December 18, 1899. Reverend John G. Logan was appointed the first Preacher December 4, 1899, being followed by Rev. R. C. Checkler in 1900. Rev. Checkler was followed by Rev. Loy Wormald who served from 1902 through 1904. During a Revival held by Rev. Wormald in 1902 (A five week Revival) forty-nine new members were added to the Church Roll.

The Members of the Mission voted to build a new church and at this time the land was deeded to the North Georgia Conference. This transaction took place on September 10, 1904 and the Church was re-named "Sharon".

Listed below are the Charter Members of Sharon Church.
Date January 28, 1900

Mrs. S. M. Copeland
Mrs. Elizabeth G. Carpenter (Medlock)
Mrs. (Lena) H. B. Gilds
Mrs. L. B. Norton
Mrs. Nancy J. Norton
Mr. E. A. Wallace
Mr. A. J. Copeland

Mrs. (Emily) A.J. Copeland
Mr. G. J. Copeland
Mrs. Isabelle Copeland
Mr. A. M. DeLong
Mr. J. M. DeLong
Mrs. Elizabeth DeLong

Listed below are Members who joined at various dates.

Rev. D. B. Whitfield
Mrs. Sarah Whitfield
Miss Lizzie Sexton
Mr. Frank M. Pess
Mrs. Martha A. Pess
Mr. Barton D. Pess

Mrs. Mary Ann Copeland
Mr. Andrew J. Wallace
Mrs. Gura L. Pess
Mr. Calhoun A. Spruell
Mrs. Mary Jane Spruell
Mr. Willie Spruell
THE FOLLOWING MINISTERS SERVED AS PASTOR OF SHARON CHURCH DURING WHICH TIME IT WAS A PART OF THE ROSWELL CHARGE:

REV. JOHN G. LOGAN ............. DEC. 1899 TO NOV. 26th. 1900.
REV. R. B. CLECKLER ............. NOV. 26th. 1900 TO NOV. 25th. 1902.
Rev. LeRoi Wormick ............. Nov. 25th. 1902 TO Nov. 25th. 1904.
Rev. J. C. Davis ................. Nov. 23rd. 1904 TO Nov. 27th. 1905.
Rev. George P. Gary .............. Nov. 27th. 1905 TO Nov. 28th. 1906.
Rev. J. W. Stipe ................. Nov. 30th. 1906 TO Nov. 25th. 1907.

THE FOLLOWING PREACHERS SERVED SHARON FROM THE DUNWOODY CHARGE.

Rev. J. L. Allgood .............. Nov. 25 1907 TO Nov. 1909.
Rev. Green ....................... Nov. 1910 TO Nov. 1914.
Rev. J. R. Jones ................. Nov. 1914 TO Nov. 1918.
Rev. G. C. Knowles .............. Nov. 1918 TO Nov. 1921.
Rev. E. L. Netts ................ Nov. 1921 TO Nov. 1923.
Rev. W. W. Cash ................ Nov. 1923 TO Nov. 1924.
Rev. G. W. Fruitt .............. Nov. 1924 TO Nov. 1926.
Rev. A. E. Barton ............... Nov. 1926 TO Nov. 1927.
Rev. J. S. Askew ................. Nov. 1927 TO Nov. 1930.
Rev. Claude Singleton

THE FOLLOWING MINISTERS SERVED AS PASTOR OF SHARON AS A PART OF THE ROSWELL CHARGE FOR THE 2nd. TIME

Rev. J. O. LINDSEY - ALSO REV. R. E. LYLE
REV. J. F. LUNSFORD - REV. McNEILL
REV. R. P. SEGARS

Then Sharon was moved from the Roswell Charge and made a part of the Ebernezer Charge and the following ministers served as pastor:

(1) Rev. Robert Duling,
(2) Rev. George Wanamaker
(3) Rev. Bill Elkin
(4) Rev. Roy Hargrave
(5) Rev. W. L. Walden
(6) Rev. Talmadge Chapman

ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF 1950 Sharon was authorized as full station and The Reverend D. B. Alderman was appointed as supply Pastor.

The following annual conference of 1951, convening in Atlanta June 26-30, 1951 placed Sharon as a half station on the Mount Carmel- Sharon charge, and The Rev. William M. Winn (Jr) WAS APPOINTED AS PASTOR.

The following layman and women have served as Sunday School Superintendents of Sharon Church School:

Mrs. H. B. Childs
Mr. H. E. Childs
Mrs. S. M. Copeland
Mr. Ralph McDurment
Mr. L. B. Norton
Mr. C. A. Spruell
Mr. W. G. Copeland

MR. HOKE SOUTHERN
MR. C. W. FRUITT
MR. FRED MILES
MR. E. W. JONES
Mr. Ex H. E. Coker
Mr. Emmons W. Jones
Mr. J. Ralph Fouts - 1951-53
In December 1952, the 2nd. year of the pastorate of Rev. William M. Winn, a Sunday School room was built into the sanctuary of the church to provide class space for the rapidly growing junior classes of the Sunday School, which has been under the capable leadership of Superintendent Ralph Fouts for the past two years. The untiring efforts of Mrs Emmons W. Jones as teacher of the "beginners classes" has greatly increased attendance and interest in these classes.

Plans are being laid for organizing a Youth Fellowship Group in this church in the very near future.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY YOUR COMMITTEE FOR CHURCH HISTORY RECORD

MISS LEE EULA COPELAND, CHAIRMAN

APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE AND OFFICIAL BOARD

APRIL 1953.

SUBMITTED BY PASTOR:

WILLIAM M. WINN