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Zion

Before the Civil War an old Methodist church called Oak Hill stood on the present site of Young Harris College. It was built by the Carsons, the Kirbys, and the Crows during the fourth decade on the last century, and continued to serve as a place of Methodist worship until the late sixties. At that time the church was moved section by section to the foot of the hill, several miles to the west, on which Zion stand today. There it served as both church and school for many years. Separate doors for men and for women were one of the distinctive features of this historic building.

When the old church finally became dangerous, it was torn down. Some of the materials were used again in the construction of a little school house which served also as church until the new church could be erected. The new building, constructed on top of the hill, was completed in 1910.

The seats, pulpit, and table still used in Zion were received from Stanton's Chapel when that church was abandoned. Kerosene chandeliers were also received from Stanton's Chapel, but these have been replaced by electric lights, and the old chandeliers have been given to Pleasant Hill. In recent years the building has been repainted and beautified, and at present it is being reroofed.