



SARDIS METHODIST CHURCH



Sardis Methodist Church is built on land taken from the Indians by Sy Donaldson and given to the church before this section of the State had been surveyed - when land was platted by beeswax string, and there were no deeds. Believed to date from 1812, this church antedates the three counties (Henry, DeKalb and Fulton) that have contained this tract of land. In early days Sardis Methodist Church was on a circuit with preaching every two weeks - on Tuesdays or Wednesdays. Earliest known pastors were Lane and Owens. Marked graves in the cemetery date from the 1830's.

Four church buildings have stood on this site: a little log cabin; a two-story wooden structure built by the members and destroyed by a cyclone; a third church building erected with the help of Sardis Lodge No. 107 F. & A. M., who used the second floor as a meeting place; and the present edifice, built in the 1920's, in the style of 1812.

Some on the church roll today are descendants of charter members. Four families have belonged for four generations and seven have been members for three generations.

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ROBERT HAGAN ELSBERRY
AUG. 5, 1890
DEC. 23, 1940

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HARRIET LUCILE ELSBERRY
APRIL 28, 1904

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FATHER

SON

WIM CASEY

WESLEY

BORN

BORN

AUG 6 1856

SON OF

DIED

BORN

MAY 8 1925

1856

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W. DONALDSON
MAY 3, 1860
AUG. 29, 1922

DONALDSON

MISS JANE DONALDSON

DEC. 27, 1849

APR. 7, 1931

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HARRIETT L. DONALDSON

MAR. 31, 1873

NOV 4, 1936

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GEORGE P. DONALDSON

AUG. 11. 1870

MAR 11 1948

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FATHER

MOTHER

NATHAN M. MORRIS

SEPT.

JULY

FRANCES POSS MORRIS

OCT. 1. 1858

AUG. 17. 1939

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L. OUTISH
REDDEN,
MARCH 5, 1848.
MAY 22, 1891.

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J. N. McDONALD

Born Dec. 24 1801

Died Dec. 5 1870.

Age 65 Yrs. 11 Mos. 11 Dys.

Also his Wife

WELTHA McDONALD

Born April 13 1810.

Died Jan. 7 1880.

Age 69 Yrs. 9 Mos. 24 Dys.

LIZZIE PLASTER

1854—1924

MOTHER

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OUR FATHER

E. D. WILLIAMS

BORN

SEP. 1. 1822

DIED

NOV. 9. 1898

May he rest in Peace

CLARRINDA J
WIFE OF
RUBIN J. PIERCE
FEB. 24, 1844.
NOV. 21, 1875.

Blessed are the pure in
heart for they shall
see God.

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R. S. HUDSON

JAN 22 1839

APR 9 1920

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SARAH ANNE HOLCOMBE
BORN NOV. 2, 1843
DIED JUNE 8, 1926

Mother thou art dead, at home,
Mong angels far above,
But yet below thy spirit rests in peace,
Till summoned by his love,

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DAISY MAE HOLCOMBE
BORN MAY 20, 1879
DIED NOV 10, 1895

Gone in her young years,
Ere sorrow could start,
Afar from life's cares,
Its griefs and its pain.

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LIZZIE HOLCOMBE
BORN SEPT. 30, 1870
DIED JULY 6, 1940
All things to the glory of God.

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R. E. PLASTER

WIFE OF E. F. PLASTER

NOV. 25, 1845

MAR. 31, 1905

FRANK PLASTER

DIED JUNE 24, 1924

AGE 91 YRS.

A CONFEDERATE SOLDIER

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WILLIAM PLASTER

1847-1921

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MRS. ELIZABETH
NASH
AGED 73 YRS

Gone but not
forgotten

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