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In August 1840, the Bethsalem Presbyterian Church was the first African-American church organized in the state of Alabama, being organized by the Rev. John H. Johnson, a white man. The church had its start in a brick arbor with the congregation both a day and night which served as a church on Sunday which served as a school in the 1840s and a school during the week. In the 1850s the building burned and was rebuilt by friends and neighbors. During the years of neglect, the building is used by the members to celebrate their annual reunions.



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W. E. CARLOCK

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JAN 16, 1804
AUG. 6, 1824

In God's care

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