CHURCH LISTING



1. Mentone United Methodist Church 415 Cutler Avenue, Mentone, AL 35984 256-899-3287, 256-634-8006

Roscoe and Ethel Brown are still honored today by the descendants of their church family for supporting the construction of Mentone United Methodist Church. The church was built just before the turn of the twentieth century. Known for its high steeple cross and nestled in a wooded lot, the church has urvived time and a fire to hold services each Sunday

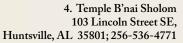
2. Helton Memorial Chapel 94 County Road 454, Stevenson, AL 35772 256-437-9474

May 13th of 1900, the Helton Memorial Chapel was dedicated at Pleasant Springs, Alabama with about 500 people in attendance. The church was named after Mrs. Emma Helton, who spent \$1,040 to erect the chapel in memory of her late husband, mory of her late husband,
Dr. Pleasant H. Helton.



3. Woodville Methodist Chapel 106 Pear Street, Woodville, AL 35776 256-776-2860

Constructed in 1912, Woodville Methodist Chapel remains the oldest church in the area. The original structure built in 1871 was also used by other enominations since it was the only church in the area at that time.



The 32 founding families erected the temple which was designed by architect R.H. Hunt in Romanesque Revival style, with influences of the Renaissance Revival in the west front gable. Guided tours M-F, 9AM-1PM by appointment only.



5. Episcopal Church of the Nativity 208 Eustis Avenue, Huntsville, Al 208 Eustis Avenue, Huntsville, AL 35801 256-533-2455

> The current church building was erected from 1856-1859. Known as one of the finest examples of Gothic Revival Architecture in the South, the church structure has a nave and aisles lighted by windows of tracery. The Church received National Historic Landmark (NHL) status in 1990.

6. Cambridge United Methodist Church 13980 Cambridge Lane, Athens, AL 35613 256-233-2862, 256-434-0502

Established in 1818 by the Tennessee Annual Conference, Cambridge United Methodist Church's origin dates back to the early 1800s as a camp meeting site. Late in the summer of 1862 the Confederate troops used the church to set up Malone Battalion, named after Captain Jim Malone. Late in the Civil War, Federal troops seized and damaged much of the church. The church was restored in 1873 and is still in use today, retaining much of its original configuration.

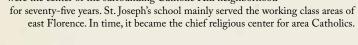


7. First Presbyterian Church 112 South Jefferson Street, Athens, AL 35611

Founded in 1829, the First Presbyterian Church initially shared a building, known as Union Church, with the First Baptist Church. In 1852 they were able to move into their own church, but this building was seized in the Civil War, used by Jnion troops as a stable, the pews burned for firewood and the building severely abused. The congregation moved back in with their Baptist friends until 1895 when the "new" sanctuary was dedicated. Visit us at this "new" location on the courthouse quare and/or see our fascinating history at www.fpcathens.org.

8. St. Joseph Catholic Church 1111 East College Street, Florence, AL 35630 256-764-3303

The beginnings were simple with Mass being held at the home of Mr. Joe Beckman in 1879. Florence Roman Catholics established their first church here in 1898 with Gammelbert Brunner, OSB, as pastor. They earlier met in private homes attended by visiting priests. Churches in Tuscumbia and St. Florian served the Shoals at large. The ordinal wooden church and its school were the center of the surrounding Catholic Hill neighborhood





9. Trinity Episcopal Church 410 North Pine Street, Florence, AL 35630 256-764-6149

The church building was erected in 1894 after the original sanctuary located a few blocks away was destroyed by fire in 1883. The bell tower houses a bell that was salvaged from the fire. The sanctuary and nave boast numerous memorial stained glass windows and rich beautiful woodwork throughout. The majestic voice of the organ is complemented by the baby grand piano in services on Sunday.

10. First Presbyterian Church 103 N. Broad Street, Tuscumbia, AL 35674 256-383-2412

This Georgian Gothic style church is Alabama's oldest house of continuous worship. One of the more famous Alabamians to worship here was Helen Keller. This is the church where she was baptized. The grounds still contain the original slave gallery.



11. St. John's Episcopal Church 300 N. Dickson Street, Tuscumbia, AL 35674 256-383-4401

Located in Tuscumbia, Alabama, this is the State's oldest Carpenter Gothic Church. Built in 1855, it was used by Union Soldiers to stable their horses during the War Between the States. The church contains original furnishings and stained glass windows.



12. Mount Pleasant Methodist Church at the Corner of Highway 724 & CR 87 Russellville, AL 35654; 256-332-1760

Outside vista only. Since the early 1800s, the Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church has survived many tragedies, including a flu outbreak and a deadly tornado. The framing of the present structure maintains pegs and square nails that date prior to 1900.

13. First United Methodist Church of Red Bay 509 4th Street SW, Red Bay, AL 35582 256-356-4654

A missionary from Boonesville, Mississippi set out to preach under a brush arbor, which was called "Oak Grove." On split log seats, the community worshiped there until they were later able to build a cabin. After the Methodist Church became part of the Alabama circuit, Oak Grove became First United Methodist Church of Red Bay. The church has grown from logs to an encased brick structure with today's modern conveniences.



14. Hamilton Methodist Church 130 Military St N., Hamilton, AL 35570 205-921-3243

The Hamilton Methodist Church was established in 1868 formerly called Toll Gate. The current structure was erected in 1924 with several improvements being added over the

15. Brilliant Methodist Church 825 Main Street, Brilliant, AL 35548 205-465-2281

Brilliant Methodist Church was built by local coal miners. Located on Main Street, it still remains a cornerstone of the town. The high pitched roof, stained glass windows, and the church bell extend a friendly welcome to all who enter.



16. Corinth Church 2540 County Road 57, Double Springs, AL 35553 205-489-2328

Corinth Church was organized and joined the association at Union Grove in 1884. During the early 1900s the church disbanded due to a population shift in Double Springs, but was revived in 1952. Corinth Church has been completely restored to its original appearance. It has no power or water and only an outhouse for a rest room. Services are still held there early on Sunday mornings.

17. Church of the Forest 51 County Road 94, Houston, AL 35572 205-272-0034

Church of the Forest was organized under its first name of Grayson. It's located in the extreme north central part of Winston County just a half mile from the historical site of Mt. Olive. Much of the church's existence is owed to the Clancy Lumber Company which made donations to the church throughout its history. In 1952 the church was given its current name, "Church of the Forest" due to its beautiful surroundings.



18. Courtland Presbyterian Church 645 Hamilton, Courtland, AL 35618 256-247-5994

Built in 1821 the Church of Nazareth in Courtland, as it was first called, has served Courtland as the second oldest Presbyterian Church in North Alabama. In 1957, the church was narrowly saved from a fire by the combined efforts of Decatur, Town Creek, and Courtland firemen. The following two years, they continued to hold services downstairs while the structure was being rebuilt.

19. Pine Torch Church 1955 County Road 70, Moulton, AL 35650 256-974-1658

Nestled in the Bankhead National Forest, Pine Torch was built in 1850. Made from poplar logs with oak shingles and a tin roof, Pine Torch is the perfect example of a log building from that era. It served as both church and school for the area. Nondenominational services are held every Sunday at 10 a.m.



20. St. John's Episcopal Church202 Gordon Drive SE, Decatur, AL 35601 256-353-9615

St. John's congregation was established in 1880 y the settlers of New Decatur, but the current structure wasn't built until 1893. Originally facing

North, the church was physically turned around to face east. Saint John's was modeled after Gothic English Parish Churches and is the only true thic church in Decatur.

21. The Tabernacle 35 Tabernacle Road, Hartselle, AL 35640

Nothing more than cedar tree logs holding up a roof to cover pews, The Tabernacle has been the home of the Hartselle Camp Meeting since the late 1800s. It and other camp meetings can trace their heritage in part to the holiness movement of the 19th century.





22. St. John's Evangelical Protestant Church 512 2nd Avenue SE, Cullman, AL 35055

In 1874, one year before the town was officially

religious organization. Shortly thereafter, St. John's

Updated in 1922, stained glass windows and elegant

wood working still define this architectural landscape.

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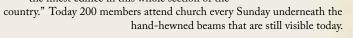
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The church began as a brush arbor and featured log benches underneath for seating. The second church was made of hand-sawed logs, dirt floor and doubled as a school house for the area. In the late 1800s, Reverend D.C. Beltz, Architect, designed and built this beautiful gothic-style church with the help of volunteers in the community. Located behind the pulpit, visitors can enjoy the workmanship of a hand-carved design of a church. Today it stands tall atop a hill overlooking farm country and graves of Union and Confederate Soldiers.

24. Blountsville United Methodist Church 415 College Street, Blountsville, AL 35031 205-429-2468

Moving from Tennessee, Ebenezer Hearn was called upon to organize the first Methodist Church of Alabama. What began as a Methodist camp on a Creek Indian site progressively transformed into a building in 1886, now known as Blountsville United Methodist Church. In a local news article in 1886, CF Hamil, the Sunday School Superintendent and Otto Pulls, architect, were commended for bringing "the finest edifice in this whole section of the



25. Shiloh Methodist Church 134 Boat Landing, Allgood, AL 35013 205-237-4441 Shiloh Methodist Church was

dedicated December 3, 1878 but its roots go back to 1817. The church is still the same building of 1878. The exterior boards are original to the 1878

26. First Methodist Church of Guntersville 539 Gunter Avenue, Guntersville, AL 35976

The church was organized in 1822 with 33 Cherokee Native Americans ministered by circuit rider, Richard Neely. The first building was built in 1869 on the present site and was the home of the first organized

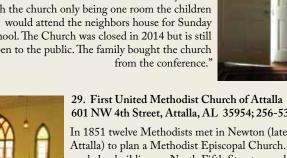


27. First Presbyterian Church 901 Gunter Avenue, Guntersville, AL 35976

After the first building was abandoned, burned, and covered with Guntersville Lake, the cornerstone of the current Presbyterian Church is a descendant of Cherokee Mission School. The architecture, Classical Revival, is based closely to a 16th century design of architect Andrea Palladio.

28. Keener United Methodist Church 6025 US Highway 11 N, Attalla, AL 35954 256-538-3315

Together on horse and buggy, Jim and Mary Overstreet rode through the town to raise money for the construction of the church in the early 1900s. With the church only being one room the children would attend the neighbors house for Sunday School. The Church was closed in 2014 but is still open to the public. The family bought the church from the conference.



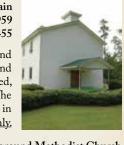
29. First United Methodist Church of Attalla 601 NW 4th Street, Attalla, AL 35954; 256-538-8491

Attalla) to plan a Methodist Episcopal Church. A crude log building on North Fifth Street served as the first church. In 1861 and again in 1882 the church relocated on fifth to accommodate the growing membership. A full time pastor was added in 1888. In 1896 Attalla was first reported at the NAMAC. Ground was broken for the present church home

in 1903. On May 1, 1904 the congregation assembled for the first Sunday worship in the new sanctuary.

30. Round Mountain 241 County Road 600, Cedar Bluff, AL 35959 256-927-8455

On August 3, 1895, a community of ministers and deacons established a Baptist Church in Round Mountain. After petitions for money circulated, enough money was raised to build the church. The Lord's Supper was observed for the first time in May of 1896. Outside vista only.



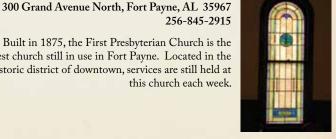
31. Lebanon Campground Methodist Church County Road 322, Spring Garden, AL 36275 256-475-5600

Established in the 1830s, the building was first used as a place of worship and the only school in the area. The big spring, still located in front of the church, provided the water. Today there

are still no modern conveniences such as running water, power, or facilities within the building. Located just down the road, visit the post office, built in 1842. Also, you will be glad to know, they do have restrooms.

Built in 1875, the First Presbyterian Church is the oldest church still in use in Fort Payne. Located in the historic district of downtown, services are still held at this church each week.

32. First Presbyterian Church of Fort Payne



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materials at hand.

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services today. The trail winds its way through sixteen counties in North church is at least 100 years old, is on its original site, and is still holding provide welcome and shelter for all who enter regardless of belief. Each This trail's thirty-two churches stand as landmarks in North Alabama and

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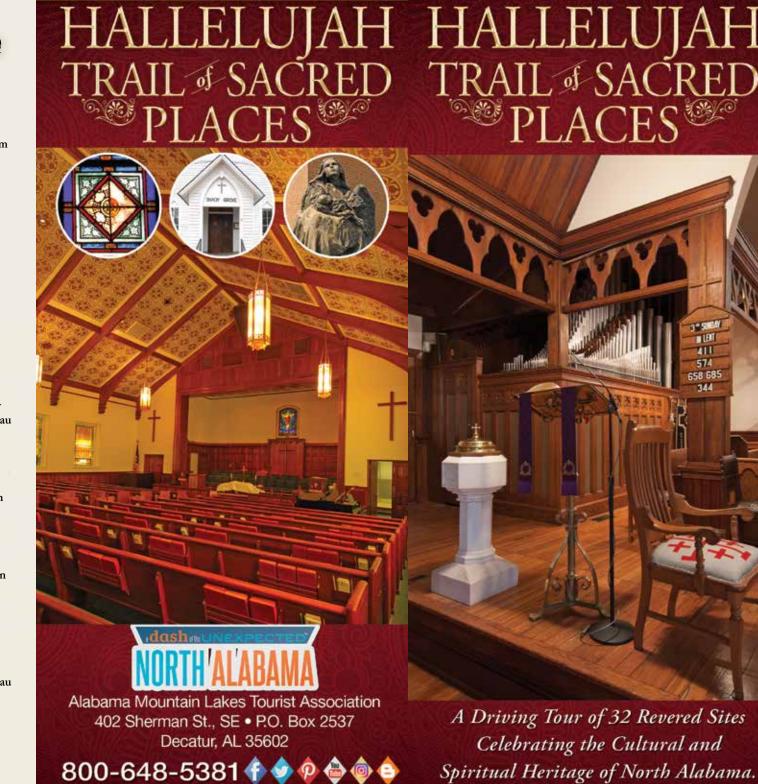
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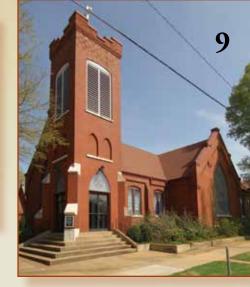
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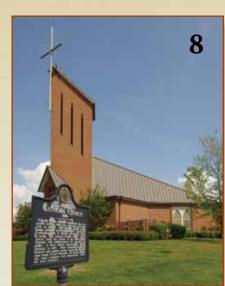
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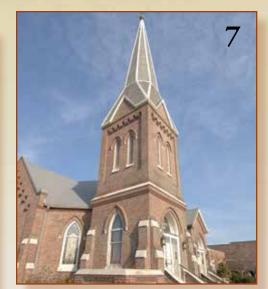
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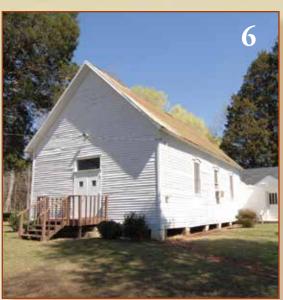
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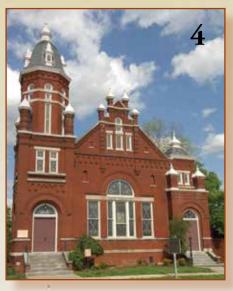
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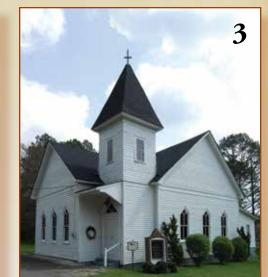
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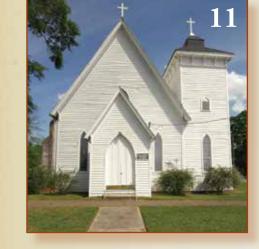
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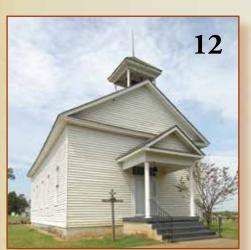
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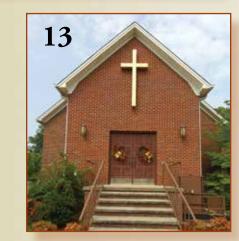




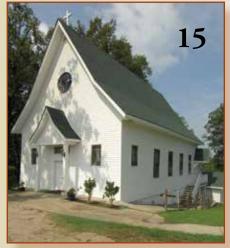


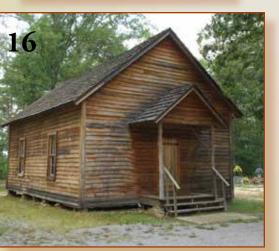






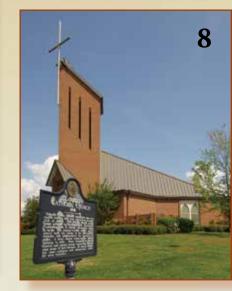








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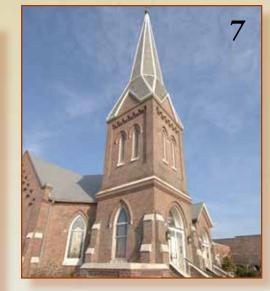
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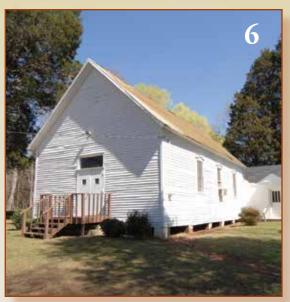
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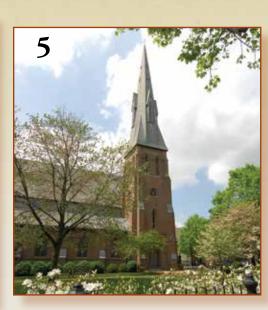


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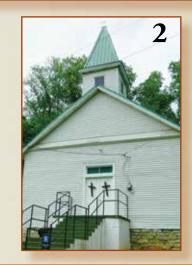
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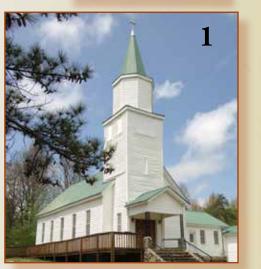


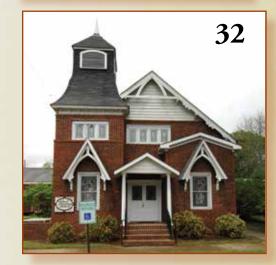
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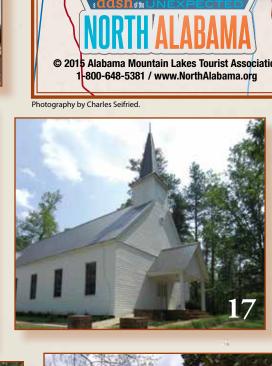


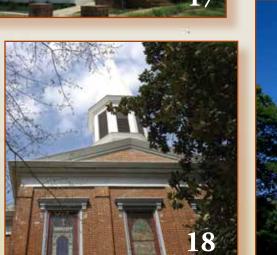


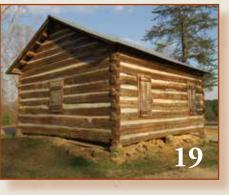


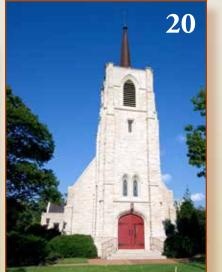






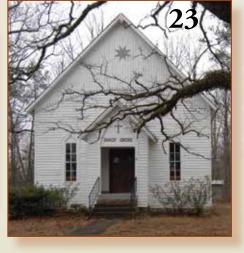








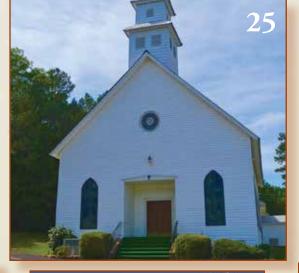




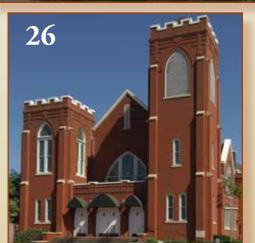
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