

**Albert Paine Memorial United
Methodist Church Records
MS-337**

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Summary Information

Repository	Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections
Creator	Albert Paine Memorial United Methodist Church.
Title	Albert Paine Memorial United Methodist Church Records
Date [inclusive]	1902-1975
Extent	0.1 cubic feet 10 folders
Language	English
Language of Materials	English
Mixed materials [SC_Box]	MS 1
Container	26-35
Abstract	Records, 1902-1975, of the Albert Paine Memorial United Methodist Church in Painesdale, Michigan. Includes records of members, probationers, marriages, baptized children, baptisms and deaths of members as well as articles of incorporation, board meeting minutes and printed ephemera.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical/ Historical Note

In the summer of 1900 the Rev. Harry Gillingham came from Painesdale from Atlantic Mine and conducted the first Methodist services for the growing number of Cornish Methodists who had moved to the area to work in Champion Mine. The Sunday School was organized the year by Rev. Gillingham and Capt. John Pooley became the first superintendent. From 1902 to 1907 services were held in private homes and in the one room schoolhouse. In 1901 Rev. Gillingham was assisted by Rev. W.A. Lovett. The church was made a charge with Trimountain with Rev. James C. White appointed as the minister in charge. From 1901-1902 Painesdale's work expanded to the extent that in 1902 it became its own charge and Rev. Walter J. Fruit became its pastor. Construction of the church began in 1907 and it was dedicated on January 19, 1908. It was also in 1907 that the church was incorporated. In 1919 Painesdale and Atlantic were again combined to make a charge and in 1926 the Painesdale circuit was formed consisting of the Painesdale, Trimountain, and Baltic churches. In the late 1950s the Baltic and Trimountain churches closed and their members attended services in the Painesdale church.

Collection Scope and Content Summary

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Arrangement

Chronological

Administrative Information

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Revision Description

This collection was processed during the NHPRC funded Detailed Processing project. It was moved to a small collection box. 05/21/2012

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Acquisition

Copies of Albert Paine Memorial Methodist Church records consisting of the Historical Record of Painesdaile M.E. Church, Articles of Incorporation, Epworth League membership documentation, Official Board minutes, newsprint, official member records, probationer records, marriage records, baptism records, and death records of members were donated by to the Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections by Clara Goad on September 23, 1987.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Albert Paine Memorial United Methodist Church.

Genre(s)

- Minutes
- Records (Documents)
- Registers (Lists)

Geographic Name(s)

- Painesdale (Mich.)

Subject(s)

- Baptismal records--Michigan--Painesdale
- Church membership--Michigan--Painesdale
- Church records and registers--Michigan--Painesdale

Collection Inventory

	SC_Box	Folder
Historic Record and Articles of Incorporation 1902-1903	MS 1	26
Official Board Minutes and Epworth League Roster 1902-1905	MS 1	27
33nd and 33rd Anniversary 1901-1902	MS 1	28
Official Member Records 1905-1920	MS 1	29
Probationer Records 1902-1942	MS 1	30
Marriage Records 1903-1933	MS 1	31
Record of Marriages 1919-1974	MS 1	32
Baptism Records 1902-1919	MS 1	33
Record of Baptisms 1901-1956	MS 1	34
Record of Deaths of Members 1918-1975	MS 1	35