

Northern Kentucky Views Presents:

The Boston Union Church

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THE BOSTON UNION CHURCH

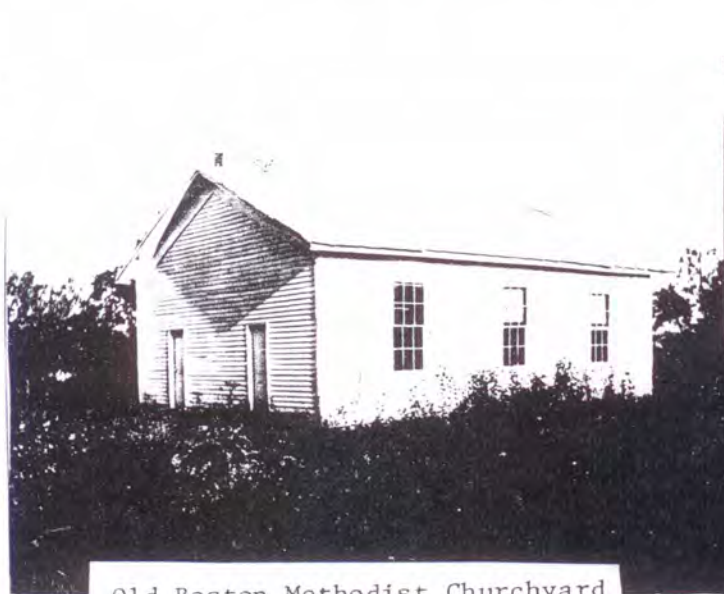
This small Methodist chapel located at the end of Ball Road was built shortly after Boston Station became a town on the Covington and Lexington Railroad in 1855. The building was officially dedicated in 1859.

It enjoyed a prominent location and for many years Ovid W. Cowles sought to have a road established via "the Union Meeting House" that would have connected present day Highway 17 with U.S. 27. He never had any lasting success with this endeavor that had much resistance.

The old church flourished in the 1870's along with the Boston Sawmill and the railroad. Serious flooding eventually caused the sawmill to be moved to Butler and this marked the beginning of the end for this once vibrant area. Its use declined rapidly after the turn of the century. However, the cemetery received burials as late as 1955 and 1961.

In September of 1949 the Boston Settlers Association held a reunion on the church grounds. Among the descendants who attended were the Duckers, Bradfords, Mullinses, McClanahans, Ellises, Lovelaces, Cambells, Burlews, Newkirks, Kirbys, Burlingames, and Skinners. Efforts to revive the church were made through the financing of a permanent committee to keep up the church and its cemetery. Much was done to preserve the church initially.

However, time has taken its toll on this noble effort, and presently the church and cemetery are in serious need of attention. Hopefully, action will be taken soon by a new generation of descendants interested in preserving a special heritage.



Old Boston Methodist Churchyard
ca. 1915



Fall 1981

OLD BOSTON CHURCH CEMETERY

Located 1/4 mile west on Ball Road off of Route 27 at Boston Station, Pendleton Co.

<u>Bradford</u>	Alma	
	Benjamin W.	d. 1-9-1876 --- age 49 yrs., 6 mos, 3 days
	Mrs. Hannah	b. 1836, d. 1915
	Henry N.	b. 1838, d. 1900
	John	d. 4-7-1868 --- age 76 yrs., 17 days
	Sarah, his wife	d. 9-23-1880 --- age 79 yrs., 5 mos.
	Sallie E.	d. 4-7-1874 --- age 18 yrs., 9 days, daughter of Benjamin W. & Agnes Jane
	Theodore J.	b. 12-18-1849, d. 10-9-1878, son of J.R. & A. Bradford
	Thomas A.	b. 1864, d. 1929
	Mary J.	b. 1882, d. 1955
<u>Carl</u>	Infant of Almira E. Carl	
	Almira Elizabeth	b. 8-2-1849, d. 12-20-1871, daughter of the late Elder Christy Sine of Virginia
<u>Colbert</u>	Jesse	b. 1834, d. 1918
	Sarah Bradford	b. 1830, d. 1900
	Walker	d. 7-16-1921
<u>McClanahan</u>	H.C. Lena B.	b. 1873, d. 1895
	Isaac C.	b. 1848, d. 1912
	Margaret E.	b. 1852, d. 1898
<u>Moore</u>	America Julia	b. 1-18-1857, d. 8-31-1894, wife Dr. J.H. Bradford, daughter of Ben W. Bradford
	Emmett H.	b. 1890, d. 1927
	Frank B.	b. 10-2-1884, d. 1-23,1889, son of Dr. J.H. and A.J. Moore
	Anna	d. 8-10-1897, age 68 years, wife of Michael Moore
	Annie	b. 1898, d. 1932
<u>Plummer</u>	Mr. & Mrs. William [Henry G. son	b. 1884, d. 23 July 1970 } <i>obit</i>
<u>Shaw</u>	William H.	d. 9-24-1871
<u>Skinner</u>	J.B.	d. 10-8-1919 --- age 64 years
<u>Sorrell</u>	Henry	d. 11-24-1872, age 4 yrs., 3 mos., 17 days
<u>Whipps</u>	George W.	b. 10-14-1823, d. 8-30-1895 Co. H. 18th Ky. Inf.
<u>Deinlein</u>	Emma	b. 1874, d. 1960
	William	b. 1899, d. 19--

Plus numerous fieldstones and unidentifiable markers

*Based on independent surveys by E.E. Barton, Shelby Meyers, Wilma Bonar, Donald A. Clark

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