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| GIBSONVILLE | METHODISM  | USA/World  |
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| 1760  |    | Methodist colonists arrive in America  |    |
| 1773  |    | First conference of American Methodist preachers  | Boston Tea Party  |
| 1777 | Andrew Gibson moved into Guilford County to farm and to mine gold |  |  |
| 1784  |    | ME Church is founded  |    |
| 1830  |    | Organization of MP Church  | First locomotive steam engine put into service.  |
| 1845  |    | The ME Church, South is organized  | Florida statehood Texas annexed  |
| 1851 | Joseph Gibson, Andrew’s son, graded the road bed for North Carolina Railroad. |  |  |
| 1854 | The depot was built |  |  |
| 1855 | The first train came through. The area around the depot was named Gibsonville in honor of Joseph Gibson |  |  |
| 1871  | The “Town of Gibsonville” was chartered by the NC General Assembly.  |    | Great Chicago fire  |
| 1887      | Mr. Berry Davidson established the original cotton mill in Gibsonville. The Methodist Protestant Church, the first church in Gibsonville, was built.  |    |    |
| 1906  | Rev. Raper, an ME Pastor, conducted a religious service in Gibsonville.  |    | San Francisco earthquake and fire  |
| 1907  | The Methodist Episcopal Church, South was organized in Gibsonville.  |    |    |
| 1911  | New Gibsonville ME Church building was completed.  |    |    |
| 1938  | Gibsonville ME and MP congregations merged.  |    |    |
| 1945    | The “hut” that housed the Sunday School was replaced with the Education Building  |    |  United Nations organized  Harry Truman inaugurated \*\*WW II ends\*\*  |
| 1962  | The Methodist Church sanctuary was replaced with a new, modern building  |    | Cuban missile crisis  |
| 1968  | We became the Gibsonville United Methodist Church .  | Establishment of the United Methodist Church  |    |
| 2002  | "Forward in Faith" and "Advancing in Faith" campaigns funded a major refurbishment of both the sanctuary and the Education Building  |    |    |