From a 2018 Report

Lingle Hut Davidson, NC



Lingle Hut ca 1933

History

- Part of Reeves Temple AME Zion
 - Founded over 120 years ago
 - Moved to current site in 1966
- Lingle Hut built in 1932
 - Part of "Mill Chapel" serving west side mill workers
 - Later renamed Unity Church (1932)
- Reeves Temple bought property in 1966
- Named after Walter Lingle
 - Davidson College President
 - Son donated funds to help Reeves Temple purchase the church campus on one condition: rename the Unity Cabin the Lingle Hut



Part of Davidson history for nearly a century

Historical Significance

- "Rustic Revival" style construction
- Construction of this type occurred only from late 1920's-1930's
- One of five left in Mecklenburg County
- Communally built (vs architected)
 - "Men cut timber Saturday morning, held fish fry in the afternoon"
 - "Women cut bark from logs to ready (logs) for construction"

"The Lingle Hut represents the social history of Davidson during the Great Depression, and is one of the few buildings in Mecklenburg County to do so."

-- Charlotte Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commssion

In Its Heyday...ca. 1990





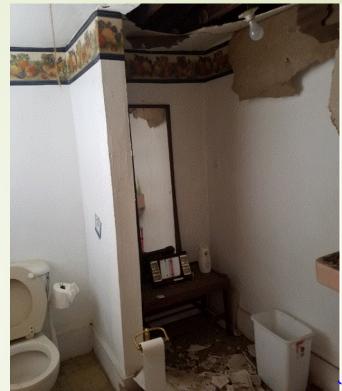
Served as the social hall for Reed's Temple

Current Situation



Settling & potential termite damage







A significant challenge...













