

WILLOUGHBY EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH:::

The first services of the "Sauer Church" as it was then called, were held in the Adam Kabel bush; and a log church was built on the present location in 1834; and Henry Sauer who gave the land was the first licensed Preacher. There was a congregation of the same denomination in Chippewa. Christian Laumeyer and Adam Herbold attended there, however they often worshipped in the Sauer Church. Meetings were held in Pelham and Willoughby every two weeks, and in Willoughby and Chippewa the next week. This was known as the "Niagara Mission" first in the Canada Conference. The present Church of Brick was built in 1883, and it became known as the Willoughby Evangelical United Brethren in 1946.

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The Willoughby United Church began as the Willoughby Evangelical United Brethren Church. The history of the congregation dates back to 1839 when the first services were held in a bush on a farm owned by Martin Schaup, 1 1/4 miles east of the present church building. All services were in German and all those attending were German speaking people. In 1863 the original building on the present site was built on land donated by William H. Sauer. In 1883 the present church was constructed to meet the needs of a larger congregation. The name "Salem" is engraved in the front of

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The history of Willoughby E.U.B. congregation dates back to 1839 when the first services were held in a bush on a farm owned by a Martin Schaup, later by William Detenbeck and presently by Roy Fischer. This bush is $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles east of the present church buildings.

All services in those early days were in German and all those attending were German speaking people. It is an interesting fact that German was the first language of most of the people in the Township 125 years ago, and continued to be used quite extensively for another 50 years. The origin of the denomination of which this church is a part is a matter of interest, having been started by Jacob Albright, who was converted in the English speaking Methodist Church in Pennsylvania. He felt a burden for his