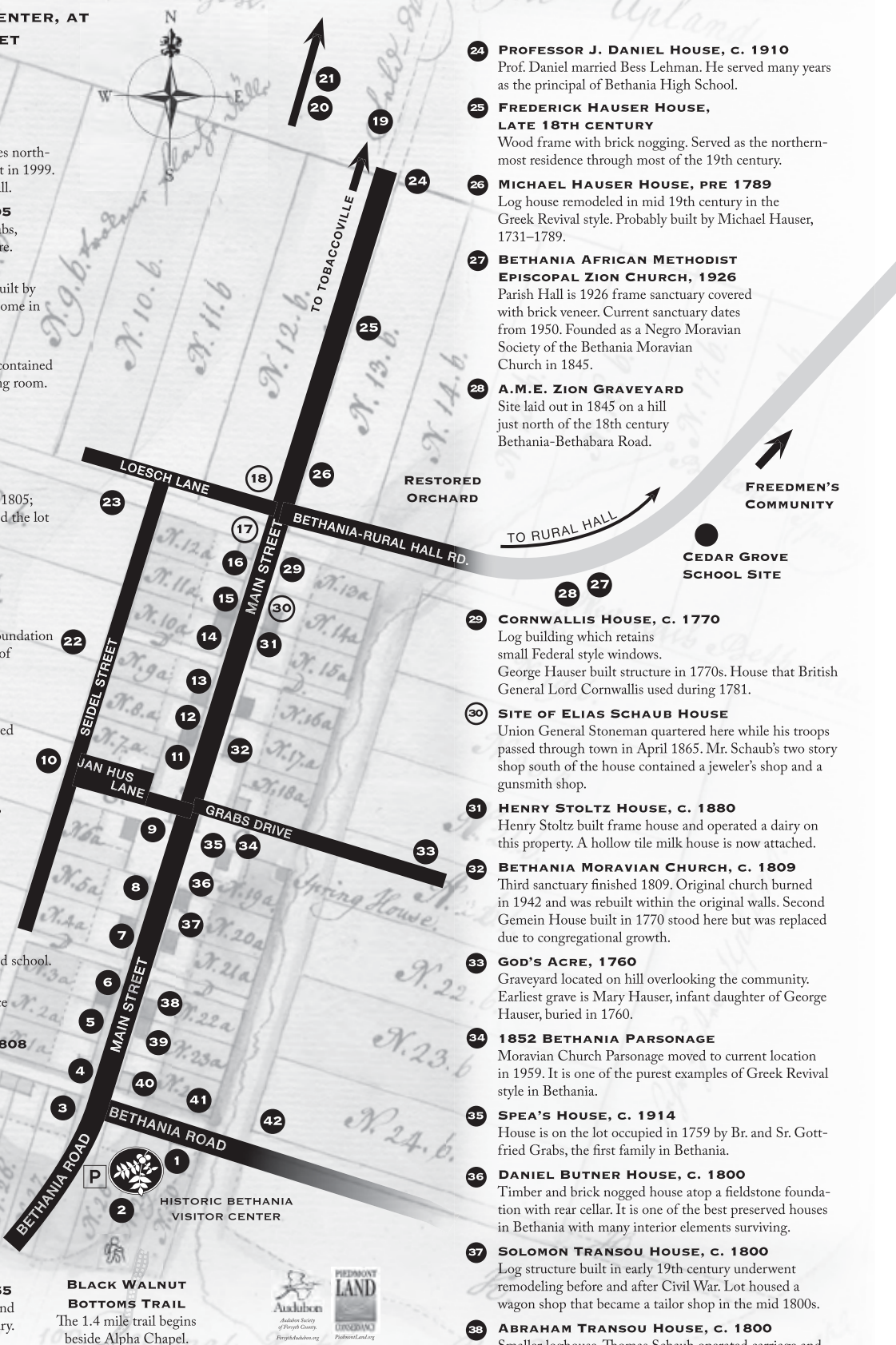


Bethania Walking Tour

Bethania was the first planned Moravian Settlement in North Carolina, founded 12 June, 1759.
Listed on the National Historic Register of Places. A National Historic Landmark.

BEGIN AT THE VISITORS CENTER, AT
THE SOUTH END OF MAIN STREET

- 1 **WOLFF-MOSER HOUSE, C. 1799**
Restored 18th century farmhouse moved to site in 2003. Open for tours
- 2 **ALPHA CHAPEL, C. 1894**
Alpha Sunday School began in 1894 two miles north-east of Bethania and moved to its present spot in 1999. Alpha Chapel serves as the town's meeting hall.
- 3 **MAT BUTNER-SIDES HOUSE, C. 1905**
Frame bungalow with a gable roof. Levin Grabs, owner Lot #1, operated a blacksmith shop here.
- 4 **CHARLES GRIFFITH HOUSE, 1910**
House displays Queen Anne characteristics built by the owner and operator of Griffith Funeral Home in Bethania.
- 5 **RAY BUTNER HOUSE, C. 1935**
Current brick house occupies a lot that once contained a house, wagon shop, and log structure weaving room.
- 6 **DR. EDWARD F. STRICKLAND HOUSE, C. 1920**
Herman H. Butner lot, once contained a gunsmith shop.
- 7 **SHORE-LEHMAN HOUSE, 1805**
Jacob Shore constructed the present house in 1805; shortly thereafter, the Lehman family obtained the lot and house. Reconstructed shoe maker's shop.
- 8 **ANTIQUES IN BETHANIA, 1948**
Present building constructed in 1948 as a grocery store with apartments above.
- 9 **WILLIAM STOLTZ HOUSE, C. 1864**
Constructed by Mr. Stoltz, probably on the foundation of Dr. George F. Wilson house. Smokehouse of dry-laid fieldstone dates to late 1700s. Site of first place of worship in Bethania.
- 10 **OLD SCHOOLHOUSE, 1897**
Built as the two story Pythian Hall and lowered during the 1930s. Served as the location of Bethania High School 1907-1924
- 11 **JACOB LOESCH HOUSE, C. 1775**
Late 1700s Log house with 1850 remodeling, located on the western half of original town square.
- 12 **ED OEHMAN HOUSE, C. 1930**
Frame cottage
- 13 **RUFUS TRANSOU HOUSE, C. 1880**
Built around 1880 by Rufus Transou, Forsyth County Clerk of Court. Site of Old Yellow House (1813) which served as a parsonage and school.
- 14 **DR. STRICKLAND OFFICE, C. 1900**
Frame structure constructed as a doctor's office and remodeled into a private residence.
- 15 **JOHN HENRY HAUSER HOUSE, C. 1808**
House is two-story frame and brick nogging, remodeled in late 1800s.
- 16 **J.C. LOESCH HOUSE, C. 1775**
Mortise and wood frame building with brick nogging, remodeled in 1850.
- 17 **SITE OF LOESCH STORE**
The store was operated by Bethania Congregation until 1822, when Loesch (also spelled Lash) purchased store and inventory. Elements from the structure were used in carriage house behind John Christian Loesch house.
- 18 **SITE OF BETHANIA TAVERN, C. 1765**
Tavern built by George Hauser before 1765 and demolished in the later part of the 19th century.
- 19 **UNITED STATES POST OFFICE, 1970**
Contemporary Post Office resides on an original upland field lot. Bethania has had a Post Office since 1794.
- 20 **OAK GROVE**
Architect Dabney Coleman's 2-story brick house combining late Federal and Greek Revival elements. Built 1846-1847 for Dr. Beverly Jones. Distance from Bethania Visitor Center: 1 mile
- 21 **SAMUEL H. STAUBER FARM, 1852**
Stauber farmhouse is a two story dwelling in the Greek Revival Style. Current owners raise rare heritage animal breeds. Distance from Bethania Visitor Center: 2 miles
- 22 **SWAIM HOUSE, C. 1790**
Single pen log with gable roof moved to current location in 1970 from Broadbay Township in Forsyth County.
- 23 **THOMAS B. LOESCH WOOLEN MILL, C. 1880**
Mill operated 2 spinning frames and 14 looms powered by a Coorless steam engine. Converted to private residence in the 20th century.



**BLACK WALNUT
BOTTOMS TRAIL**
The 1.4 mile trail begins
beside Alpha Chapel.

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- 24 **PROFESSOR J. DANIEL HOUSE, C. 1910**
Prof. Daniel married Bess Lehman. He served many years as the principal of Bethania High School.
- 25 **FREDERICK HAUSER HOUSE, LATE 18TH CENTURY**
Wood frame with brick nogging. Served as the northern-most residence through most of the 19th century.
- 26 **MICHAEL HAUSER HOUSE, PRE 1789**
Log house remodeled in mid 19th century in the Greek Revival style. Probably built by Michael Hauser, 1731-1789.
- 27 **BETHANIA AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH, 1926**
Parish Hall is 1926 frame sanctuary covered with brick veneer. Current sanctuary dates from 1950. Founded as a Negro Moravian Society of the Bethania Moravian Church in 1845.
- 28 **A.M.E. ZION GRAVEYARD**
Site laid out in 1845 on a hill just north of the 18th century Bethania-Bethabara Road.
- 29 **CORNWALLIS HOUSE, C. 1770**
Log building which retains small Federal style windows. George Hauser built structure in 1770s. House that British General Lord Cornwallis used during 1781.
- 30 **SITE OF ELIAS SCHAUB HOUSE**
Union General Stoneman quartered here while his troops passed through town in April 1865. Mr. Schaub's two story shop south of the house contained a jeweler's shop and a gunsmith shop.
- 31 **HENRY STOLTZ HOUSE, C. 1880**
Henry Stoltz built frame house and operated a dairy on this property. A hollow tile milk house is now attached.
- 32 **BETHANIA MORAVIAN CHURCH, C. 1809**
Third sanctuary finished 1809. Original church burned in 1942 and was rebuilt within the original walls. Second Gemein House built in 1770 stood here but was replaced due to congregational growth.
- 33 **GOD'S ACRE, 1760**
Graveyard located on hill overlooking the community. Earliest grave is Mary Hauser, infant daughter of George Hauser, buried in 1760.
- 34 **1852 BETHANIA PARSONAGE**
Moravian Church Parsonage moved to current location in 1959. It is one of the purest examples of Greek Revival style in Bethania.
- 35 **SPEA'S HOUSE, C. 1914**
House is on the lot occupied in 1759 by Br. and Sr. Gottfried Grabs, the first family in Bethania.
- 36 **DANIEL BUTNER HOUSE, C. 1800**
Timber and brick nogged house atop a fieldstone foundation with rear cellar. It is one of the best preserved houses in Bethania with many interior elements surviving.
- 37 **SOLOMON TRANSOU HOUSE, C. 1800**
Log structure built in early 19th century underwent remodeling before and after Civil War. Lot housed a wagon shop that became a tailor shop in the mid 1800s.
- 38 **ABRAHAM TRANSOU HOUSE, C. 1800**
Smaller loghouse. Thomas Schaub operated carriage and buggy business here from the early to mid 19th century.
- 39 **ED BUTNER HOUSE, C. 1848**
Constructed wood frame with brick noggin, remodeled in late 19th and early 20th century.
- 40 **EULA WOLFF HOUSE, C. 1930**
Main block of house moved from Ray Butner's lot before 1935. Lehmen and Butner Store established in 1836 stood on this site.
- 41 **CHARLIE'S GARAGE AND CAMPERS, C. 1925**
Garage built by A.D. (Punk) Wolff and is now operated by his grandson, Chuck Wolff.
- 42 **BETHANIA MILL AND VILLAGE SHoppes**
Rambling frame structure built as a roller mill in 1899 with several 20th century additions. Site remodeled into a retail experience with a rustic general store feel. Muddy Creek Café offers a neighborhood eatery featuring fresh sandwiches, salads, and beverages.