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## Mission

Our mission as a parish church at the crossroads of Greenville and Spartanburg Counties is the gathering and perfecting of God's people through biblical worship, evangelism, and pastoral care.

*Antioch Presbyterian Church (PCA) is a Mission work of Calvary Presbytery.*

## Source

*History of the Presbyterian Church in South Carolina*, by George Howe, D.D., Published and Sold by W. J. Duffie, Columbia S. C.; Walker, Evans & Cogswell, Printers, Charleston, S. C., 1883, Pages 748-9.

## Text

ANTIOCH CHURCH is a branch of Nazareth Church, and was organized on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1843, in Spartanburg District, South Carolina, near Cashville P. O., by the Rev. Wm. Carlisle, in connection with the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church, with one ruling Elder, viz: Robert Blakely, and twenty-three members, all of whom were dismissed from Nazareth Church for that purpose, except two, who were from Fair View Church. Soon after the organization, Wm. Leonard and John Anderson were elected and ordained Ruling Elders in this Church. In the fall of 1844 James Anderson and Ashbel Peden were elected and ordained deacons of the Church. In May, 1850, A. C. Jackson, a Ruling Elder from Nazareth Church, was received, by certificate, into this Church and elected a Ruling Elder at the sessions of fall Presbytery, 1844, the Church secured the services of Rev. John McKittrick, as stated supply, who continued to labor in that capacity with general acceptance to the Church and congregation, until the fall of 1853, at which time he removed to the State of Georgia, within the bounds of Flint River Presbytery. Mr. McKittrick was born in Newberry District, after which his parents removed to Laurens District, where he grew up, and was taken under the patronage of Rev. Hugh Dickson, who educated him for the ministry under the care of the South Carolina Presbytery, where he was licensed and afterwards ordained to the gospel ministry. During Mr. McKittrick's term of labor in Antioch Church, the whole number of members increased to 56, which number has been reduced to 44, by dismissions, deaths, etc. The Church at present is supplied with preaching by Rev. J. Watt. Montgomery, a licentiate from Orange Presbytery, North Carolina, who is laboring in Spartanburg District, as domestic missionary, by the direction of the South Carolina Presbytery.

The following is a roll of members who organized the Church:

Robert Blakely and wife, Catherine Blakely, Samuel Pearson and wife, Elizabeth Pearson, Elizabeth Anderson, Elizabeth Leonard, Denney Anderson and wife, Elizabeth Anderson, James Anderson Jr. and wife, Margaret Anderson, Wm. Leonard and wife, Mary Leonard, Alex. Wakefield and wife, Sarah Wakefield, Margaret Peden, Martha Westmoreland, John Anderson and wife, Nancy Anderson, John Coan and wife, Margaret L. Coan, Ashbel Peden, Mary Peden, Rebecca Bennett. 31 members

