

A Church's New Life
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Last week, the story about the Methodist Church in Chenango Forks and its travels through the years was printed before I received a final photo that was sent by the Christians. They wanted show you that the frame of the church was erected intact in the interior of their home and is still exposed for all to see the beauty of the wood. It was a wonderful exchange of emails between us and I thank them for letting us view the process of building their home.

The next adventure will be to explore the old Edwards cemetery that is in back of the former church property. It is on a knoll with a gate around it and I am told that Mercy Beckwith Edwards is buried there. She was a sister of Rachael Beckwith Moore who was one of the founders of the Moore Memorial Library. Mercy died in Greene at her sister's home in 1893.

Here are two more photos of the Methodist Church, one being a view of Chenango Forks with the church on the right facing the Chenango Valley. If you look carefully, you can see the cemetery in the lower left of the photo. The other photo is the framework of the church serving in a new capacity.



A View of the Chenango Valley in Chenango Forks from Mix Road



The interior of the Christian home with the framework intact from Methodist Church in Chenango Forks