

Historical Marker - S186 - Olivet College (Marker ID#:S186)



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Olivet College

On February 24, 1844, the Reverend John J. "Father" Shipherd and thirty-nine followers arrived by ox-cart on this wilderness hilltop, driving their herds before them. They felt God had directed them to this oak grove for the purpose of founding a coeducational Christian college open to students of all races. First chartered as Olivet Institute, the school received its charter as a college in 1859. For over a century it has given a broad liberal arts education, with strong support from the Congregational church. Many alumni have gone forth "Pro Christo et Humanitate."

Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1958 **Erected Date:** 1960

Marker Location

Address: 33 S. Main Street

City: Olivet

State: MI **ZipCode:** 49076

County: Eaton

Township: Walton

Lat: 42.44265900 / **Long:** -84.92408000

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