

Historical Marker - L388 - Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church (Marker ID#:L388)



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Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

In 1839 a group of black Detroit citizens formed the Colored Methodist Society, which became the core of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. The group held meetings in a hall which was donated by the Detroit Common Council. The society moved several times before a church was built on Lafayette in the 1840s. In 1841 the church assumed its present name and organization. From its inception, the church has served in a number of ways; it has provided a school for black children, an agency to assist southern migrants, and a bureau for labor and housing. Today the church remains a focal point for community social services.

Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1975 **Erected Date:** 1976

Marker Location

Address: 5050 St. Antoine

City: Detroit

State: MI **ZipCode:**

County: Wayne

Township:

Lat: 42.36012800 / **Long:** -83.05707900

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