



Phelps Baptist Church

Erected

1845

Rev. D. E. Dersham, pastor

COBBLESTONE CHURCH

A small group of believers in Jesus Christ as Lord organized in 1843 at Melvin Hill Church to start a new work in the town of Vienna.

In 1845, John Skinner and Stephen Trumbull, contractors, were found to erect "with workmanship of first rate style" a building seventy feet by forty-two feet including a seven foot wide piazza.

The cobblestones of three inch and four inch sizes, red in hue, were brought from the shores of Lake Ontario by oxen cart. The stones were graded by hand, passing them through a proper hole in a plank.

The walls were to be eighteen inches thick, on a six foot deep foundation of stone. The timbers were, as all the material, given by the members, cut locally and without knot or blemish. The group's best was freely given to build this house of the Lord.

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