

# Group forms first Presbyterian church in Pell City

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The newly-formed First Presbyterian Church in Pell City is well named, as it truly is the first Presbyterian church in the town's history, as far as any of the new members know.

Dr. Wendell Bedsole, an elder of the new church, said the group held its first service on Oct. 3.

The church was formed because local Presbyterians were tired of having to drive to other towns to attend Sunday services, he said.

"The nearest Presbyterian church is in Moody," Dr. Bedsole said. "Some of us that were attending there just decided that we wanted a church in Pell City."

The church is currently holding its services in the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Pell City.

That arrangement has worked out great so far because the Seventh Day Adventists meet on Saturday, which frees the building up for the new church.

Bedsole said the founding church

members would eventually like to have a building of their own, but for now they are taking things one step at a time.

Bedsole said about 60 people attended services the first week and it has stayed around that average since.

The Rev. Dan Allison from Birmingham has been holding the services through the month of October.

First Presbyterian is a mission of Evangelic Presbyterian and is part of the Presbyterian Church of America, Bedsole said.

The new church meets at 10 a.m. on Sundays and has home Bible study on Wednesday evenings.

Ron Landree and Alan Haynes are the other two elders of the church.

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## Childersburg Heritage Society meeting notice

Beginning Nov. 16 at 10 a.m. the Childersburg Heritage Society will meet on the third Tuesday of each month at Earle A. Rainwater Memorial Library in Childersburg.