

S. L. Adair to the friends of Christ

This letter reported on the current religious situation in Osawatomie, Kansas Territory. According to the author, a missionary with the American Missionary Association, the residents had begun the preliminary steps for organizing a church. In Osawatomie there were a number of Baptists, Congregationalists, and Wesleyans, along with a large group who "make no profession of religion." Adair also wrote about the sickness that prevented more formal organization.

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To the friends of Christ & his cause
whom it may concern.

There are a few
congregational brethren in Oswatimie &
vicinity. We had taken some preliminar-
y steps to organizing a church; but on
account of sickness it has been deferred.
We hope to organize before long.

There is a very small Wesleyan class
here. A few baptist brethren, but no organ-
ization. There are also a few other profes-
sing christians here, some of whom will
probably unite with us when we organize.

There are many here who make no profes-
sion of religion, a few of whom usually
attend public worship. Many more could
be induced to do so if we had a conven-
ient house in which to meet. Emigrants
also are constantly coming in.

I came here last March. Since then I have
preached here nearly one half of the time on
Sabbath. We have met in private houses,
log cabins, with only one small room, & that
sometimes a sickroom. This we find very
inconvenient. We intend to build a
congregational church; but are weak. The
brethren are burdened now - recent sickness

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has been heavy upon them - in meeting
the necessary wants of their families.

Any aid by friends abroad in
building a house of worship would
be most thankfully received & faith-
fully applied.

Bro. O. C. Brower, the bearer of
this, is a member of a Congregation-
al Church in Brooklyn N.Y. and has
the confidence of Christians here.

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tion.

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