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?? ??? 1735	Old Concord Presbyterian	Half mile east of the schoolhouse on the Richmond Pike near Spout Spring originally in Campbell County.	???	Established by early Scotch-Irish settlers. Original records were lost or destroyed. Records exist beginning 1826. Second building built in 1780 about a mile and a half east and some distance south on farm of Tom Jones, later the Shaw and Brown place. Third building built in 1810 on present lot deeded to the church by James Shearer. The fourth, and present brick structure, was built in 1854.
?? ??? 1739	Walker's Presbyterian	Meeting House near the Obadiah Woodson plantation in Prince Edward County. In 1787, two acres of land given by Dr. James Walker, Dick Holland and his wife near present Hixburg, originally in Prince Edward County.	Rev. John Thomson, a native of Northern Ireland and a graduate of the University of Glasgow (came to America in 1715).	Apx Heritage book gives 1755 for services held at Cub Creek by Samuel Davis. Apx Historical Notes book states 1739 establishment by all-denominational group at a meeting house near the Obadiah Woodson plantation in Prince Edward County (later Hixburg in Appomattox County). In 1787, became Presbyterian and built new church building.
?? ??? 1772	Rocks Baptist	Route 620 just off Rt. 460 about 2½ miles west of Pamplin.	Missionary Samuel Harris. First regular pastor Rev. William Johnson.	Churches formed from Rocks: Mathews Baptist, Liberty Baptist, Evergreen Baptist.
?? ??? 1775	Liberty Chapel Baptist	Tower Hill / Bent Creek area then in Buckingham County.	Rev. Gabriel Walker was one of the first pastors.	Once known as Maynards Church.
?? ??? 1776	Red Oak Baptist	Near Oakville / Duiguiville	Rev. William Flowers first known, possibly founded by Mr. Rana Chastain.	first known as Liberty Meeting House and Wreck Island Church. Failed, reconstituted approximately 1784. Red Oak name adopted in 1824. In 1824, membership over 500, two thirds slaves. Sometime after 1865 black membership formed Jordan Baptist near original Red Oak location. In 1909, decided to relocate Red Oak to village of Oakville to a site on the old Bolling Plantation "Red Oak" which was part of a 20,000 acre land grant. Church burned in Jan 1948, was rebuilt and dedicated 17 Jul 1949. Hebron Baptist and Old Stonewall Baptist (now inactive) were formed from Red Oak.
?? ??? 1800	Wolf Creek Baptist	Route 24 across the road from New Hope Baptist in Vera community.	One early pastor Rev. Gabriel Walker.	Appomattox Baptist Association was formed at Wolf Creek. History of Wolf Creek precedes 1800. Used until New Hope Baptist created across the road 1831-1832.
?? ??? 1807	Mount Comfort United Methodist	Near Mt. Comfort Plantation about three miles north of Appomattox.	???	Probably older than 1807 as early maps show the church location called Mt. Comfort Meeting House. Moved to present location 1870-1872 (on Rt. 611 just off of Rt. 26, about four miles from Oakville). At that time a number of parishoners formed Old Herman Methodist Church. A third church was built in 1902 at the second location.

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?? ??? 1825	Centenary United Methodist	Rt 649, the road from Madisonville to Cullen near the J. H. Carwile home.		Founding date unknown, but estimated to be early 1800's. Church was moved to present location on Rt 615 around 1850. The original building was moved on rollers drawn by oxen. One acre of land was given by Thomas Marshall by deed dated 17 Oct 1849.
?? ??? 1828	Wesley Chapel Methodist	About six miles south of present Appomattox Courthouse on Route 727 and one mile east on Route 644.	Unknown. John A. Doll was minister in 1850 according to book "History of Wesley Chapel".	One acre lot purchased 10 Aug 1828 from Thomas Harvey Sr. Prior to 1845, in Campbell County. Church closed in 1939. In 1991, acquired by Appomattox County Historical Society and moved to their Clover Hill Village facility.
?? Aug 1831	New Hope Baptist	Route 24 in the Vera community.	Possible first pastor Rev. Thomas A. LeGrand. One early pastor Rev. Gabriel Walker, 1847-1857. Another was Drury A. Woodson 1857-1865.	Formed from Wolf Creek Baptist on three acres of land donated by John Flood Sr. in then Buckingham County. Membership of 183 in 1853. Union army destroyed church records in 1865.
?? ??? 1832	Reedy Spring Baptist	Reedy Springs near Spout Spring	Rev. John H. Cawthorne	Early services in brick building that was also used for classes by the Reedy Springs Academy for young boys. Church officially established in 1839.
?? ??? 1834	Mathews Baptist	Walkers Church (now Hixburg)	Rev. Phillip Mathews	Formed by members of Rocks Baptist Church "as a result of a difference of opinion concerning the formation of a temperance society." The 22 charter members were the pro-temperance faction.
07 Aug 1834	Liberty Baptist	George Abbitt plantation about a mile east of Appomattox on the north side of the South Side Railroad.	Rev. Thomas A. LeGrand	Formed by a group of pro-temperance members of Rocks Baptist Church. First known as Liberty Meeting House. Second building in 1855 near the intersection of Rt 635 and 1003 east of present Liberty Cemetery. Third building in 1888 at the site of Liberty Cemetery. Liberty Cemetery established 1896. In 1898 church was dismantled and moved to new site just south of present site on Church Street. Original portion of present building completed in 1916.
?? ??? 1837	Salem Methodist	Near Spout Spring then in Campbell County.		Land deeded to Trustees by James Shearer and his wife Elizabeth.
?? ??? 1849	Hebron Baptist	Northwestern section of Appomattox on Rt 608 at the intersection of Rt 613.	Rev. Luther Thornhill	Organized with 25 charter members, including 12 from Red Oak and 8 from Old Stonewall. Original 2½ acres given by Joseph Burks. In 1887, Edward Thomas donated an additional 2 acres adjacent to first parcel.

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05 Apr 1859	Elon Baptist	Pamplin	Rev. John S. Mason	First called Elon Baptist Church of Christ. Chartered by 19 men and women, including some slaves. Most came from Mathews Baptist Church in Hixburg. Formed by group of Baptist people that had worshiped for some years at an all-denominational meeting house at Merriman's Shop (now Pamplin City). Land for church building donated by Rev. John S. Mason and his wife Kejiah (Fore) Mason.
?? ??? 1860	Piney Ridge United Methodist	Pamplin		Established prior to 1860. Located 3 miles west of Pamplin on Rt. 628. Land donated by James Nathaniel and Mary Paulette Richardson. Original deed burned in 1892 courthouse fire. A replacement deed was recorded in 1926. Sunday School organized around 1833 by Benjamin Franklin Sackett, who lived in Pamplin City. New brick building opened in 1953.
?? ??? 1866	Galilee Baptist	South side of Old Stage Road near present location (on Rt 24 near Appomattox Courthouse National Park).	Brother Fleming Johnson	First black church in Appomattox County formed by thirty members of Liberty Baptist Church.
?? ??? 1866	Trinity United Methodist	Oakville area	Rev. Esmond A. Gibbs	Three acres deeded by William and Rebecca Moore. First service in 1868. New brick church opened in 1959.
20 Oct 1866	Springfield Baptist	"Mathews Field"	Rev. Albert Johnson	Formed by the colored members of Liberty Chapel Baptist. Land known as Mathews Field was purchased from Willis Johnson.
24 Apr 1867	Appomattox Courthouse Presbyterian	Union Academy, Clover Hill	Rev. George William Leyburn	Union Academy torn down in 1894. Present building dedicated June 1901
?? ??? 1869	Jordan Baptist	Near Oakville		Purchased one acre from Alfred Jones.
?? ??? 1870	Hermon United Methodist	South side of Old Stage Road (on Rt 24 near Appomattox Courthouse National Park).		Exact founding year unknown, but estimated from membership records of Mt. Comfort. Flood family donated land for church. Second church built on Rt 608, near Oakville, at the foot of Piney Mountain. Closed in 1969 with most membership transferred to Mt. Comfort.
?? ??? 1870	Mount Airy Baptist		Rev. William Cottrell	One acre of land purchased in 1870 from James and Sallie Walker. Organized with members from Springfield and Jordan Baptist. Church burned. In 1907, about one acre was purchased from Thomas and Mary Agnes Coleman on Rt 26. Third, and present, church was built in 1960.
?? ??? 1872	Mount Obed Baptist	Stonewall community	Rev. J. B. Smith	In April 1889, an acre of land was given by Mr. and Mrs. George Routen as a permanent church site. Two pillars remain in the center of the building that, along with since removed dividing rails, were used to separate male and female worshippers.

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?? Jun 1872	Mount Pleasant Baptist	Meeting House in the vicinity of Walkers Church		First called Mount Pleasant African Baptist Church of Christ. In May 1880 purchased one acre from William D. and Fannie Hix fronting on Rt 602 and Wheeler Road about one mile from old location. New church opened 24 Nov 1911.
?? ??? 1874	Pamplin United Methodist	Pamplin		First known as Pamplin Methodist Episcopal Church South. Original building was two story with the Masonic Lodge using the first floor as a meeting place. 1913-1914 a new one story frame building was constructed.
?? Aug 1874	St. Anne's Episcopal	Prince Edward County, area then known as Spring Creek, now Five Forks.	Right Rev. John Johns conducted consecration on 10 Jun 1875.	Regular worship did not continue for long. In 1949 church building was declared the property of the Diocese of Southern Virginia. Also in 1949, small group of Episcopalians meeting at Appomattox Courthouse Presbyterian decided they needed their own building and the abandoned St. Anne's was offered and accepted. Hubert S. Gurney directed the dismantling and reconstruction in Appomattox. Ten bricks from the original McLean House were placed in the cornerstone.
?? ??? 1875	Morning Star Baptist	South side of Rt 634 where cemetery is now located.	Rev. Brown	Two acres of land for church purchased in 1875 from Charles & Elvira Abbott. Church was later moved across the road to its present location.
27 Jul 1878	Mount Shiloh Baptist	Rt 648	Rev. J. B. Smith	Grew out of Old Union Grove Church.
17 Oct 1878	Hollywood Baptist		Rev. T. H. Fitzgerald	Thirteen charter members. Church burned 11 Oct 1889 destroying all records. New building completed in May 1890.
?? ??? 1880	Bethel United Methodist		Rev. F. K. Klein	29 Aug 1892 cornerstone laid for new building.
08 Jul 1882	Mount Zion Baptist		Rev. M. C. Smith	First known as Old Mount Zion Colored Baptist Church. Spencer Moore purchased 1 5/8 acre. A second building was constructed in 1897. Present church is the third structure.
?? ??? 1887	Maple Grove Baptist	James River School House about one mile from present church in the Bent Creek area.	B. C. Henning	Robert A. Stevens gave two acres in 1887 to build church. Could attend by taking train to Caskie station.
?? ??? 1887	Promise Land Baptist	Home of Branch Simmons	Rev. M. P. Gibson (at new building in 1892)	Feb 1892 purchased one acre to build church on Promise Land Rd.
24 Sep 1890	Beale Memorial Presbyterian			Dedicated church building 15 Oct 1899. Named in honor of Mrs. Joseph Beale and her sister-in-law Miss Emily Beale, both of Coatesville, Chester County, Pennsylvania, who raise the principal amount of money to build the church.
?? ??? 1893	Canaan Baptist		Rev. John H. Morgan	Originally called The First Canaan Baptist Church.

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?? Oct 1893	Central Baptist	Chap area of Appomattox	Rev. William Fisher	First services at a Meeting House under a brush arbor with members from Liberty, Rocks, Providence and Reedy Springs Baptist Churches. Construction of church building began in January of 1894.
?? ??? 1896	First Baptist	West Appomattox, now Town of Appomattox	Rev. James A. Carter	Deed in Clerk's Office shows official name as First Baptist Church of West Appomattox. Church body organized in 1896 and founded in 1900.
?? ??? 1897	Memorial United Methodist	In the new Appomattox Courthouse	Rev. P. M. Bell	17 Sep 1898 purchased lot on Church St, dedicated building fourth Sunday in Sep 1899. 7 Sep 1958 decision to purchase lot on Court St. Church St building sold 13 Mar 1960 to Pentecostal Holiness Conference. Groundbreaking of new building on 2 Apr 1961. 1969 unified with Evangelical United Brethren.
?? ??? 1900	Chestnut Grove Baptist	Chap area of Appomattox		First church destroyed by fire in the early 1900's. Built the present church in 1903.
?? ??? 1904	Evergreen United Methodist	Evergreen	Rev. H. W. Dunkley	Formed from Wesley Chapel Church. Main body of present church was built in 1904.
17 Mar 1907	Evergreen Baptist	Evergreen	Rev. T. H. Bindford	Land for church given by Mr. and Mrs. John L. Davis. 89 charter members entered into church record book.
?? ??? 1912	Spout Spring Baptist	Spout Spring in the Old Union Academy building	Rev. N. L. Loftin (Jun 1914)	Began as a Sunday School. Erected a building and organized church 26 May 1913. Fifteen charter members.
?? Jan 1939	Bethany Pentecostal Holiness	Prayer meetings in homes, then Petty's Fork School building.	Rev. J. W. Blanks	August 1941 Charles B. Yeatts conducted a tent revival at the intersection of Rt 604 and Rt 650. Church was officially organized after this with ten charter members.
?? ??? 1945	Seventh Day Adventist	Three barracks in Camp Pickett, Virginia	???	Barracks were torn down and church members went every Friday to get a load of wood from them. 25 Sep 1946 land of .45 acre was purchased and construction finished in 1950. Church building was dedicated 19 May 1951.
01 Mar 1953	Bible Baptist	Appomattox County High School Auditorium	Rev. Paul F. Donnelson	Moved to the old W. B. McCormick Service Station, remodeling the building into a sanctuary. March 1959 construction began on present building just off Rt 26.
?? Jul 1973	Our Lady of Peace Catholic	Outdoor Mass at Graf's Farm in Concord, then at the Methodist Church in Concord through 1975, last temporary home was Oakville Schoolhouse	Rev. Charles Ferry	Land purchased on corner of Rt 631 and Rt 627 summer 1976, building dedicated 21 Mar 1982.
23 Sep 1979	Friendship Baptist	About two miles south of Town of Appomattox on Rt 727 at intersection of Woodlawn Trail.		

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?? Dec 1986	New Jerusalem Baptist	Bruce & Stiff Funeral Home Chapel for first sixteen months	Rev. Robert H. King	Founded with 14 members. In 1987 purchased a building from Charlie O. Seay on Rt 460 in Evergreen, which was renovated into a church building. In 1994 the present church was built, attached to the first church.