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Buggs Temple Development
Historic Timeline

- 1787-1816 AME Church Founded Richard Allen, Founder Philadelphia, PA
- 1837 First AME Church in Indiana Mt. Pleasant Beech Church Carthage, IN/Rush County
Indiana Historic Society *Star Magazine* (May 17, 1970): 24,26, 27
- 1874 Simpson ME Church Established Indianapolis, IN/Marion County IMCPL
L.C. Rudolph, *Hoosier Faiths* (IU Press, 1994): 579-581

Originally met at 215-217 W. 15th Street (6th & Booker) residence
Photograph & text from 50 year church celebration (1924)
Luther Mason, University United Methodist Church Historian
5959 N. Grandview, Indpls., IN 46208 (317) 257-0237

Originally Called Coke Chapel Organized as a Mission
Slave and Freeman, The Autobiography of George L. Knox
Edited by Willard B. Gatewood, Jr.
Originally published in *Indianapolis Freeman Magazine*
(University Press of Kentucky, 1979): 219

Marshall W. Taylor, Founding Pastor
Editor of *Southwestern Christian Advocate*
Father of Major Taylor

J.T.V. Hill, founding member, first African American Attorney
George Knox, founding member (G. Knox shown in image 21a on Historic
Research CD)

Named after ME Bishop Matthew Simpson (1811-1884)
First President of Depauw University (Indiana Asbury)
Gave President Abraham Lincoln Funeral Address
Robert D. Clark, *The Life of Matthew Simpson*
(Macmillan Co., NY, 1956) Indiana Historic Society

- 1964** Simpson Methodist Mortgage Burning April 18, 1964 Bass Photo Collection Indiana Historic Society
2960 N. Capitol Avenue
- 1969** Gorham Methodist Church Relocates 1970 Groundbreaking
University United Methodist 5959 N. Grandview
Indianapolis, Indiana (317) 257-0237
- 1969** Buggs Temple Church of God in Christ Established Purchase of old Simpson ME Church
IMCPL 1969 *City Register*
Reverend James C. Buggs, Founding Pastor
- 1971** Canal Designated "American Water Landmark" Indiana Historic Landmarks Foundation, Inc.
Roll McLaughlin
- 1983** Buggs Temple Photograph Midtown Album #94 IHPC
- 1993** Buggs Temple Donated to City of Indianapolis
- 2003** Buggs Temple Donated to Buggs Development Group, LLC D8 Zoning CBDS Adjoining
Central Regional Center

Possible jazz musician members: Wes Montgomery/Slide Hampton/Hampton Sisters/Russell Brown/Jimmy Cole
David Young/Noble Sissell ("I'm So Wild About Harry")/Spaulding Family

Courtesy of Gilbert L. Taylor, Curator
Crispus Attucks Museum