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R **Brazeau Presbyterian Church (Brazeau, Mo.).**
976 **Booklet, 1970.**
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This is *A History of the Brazeau Presbyterian Church, Brazeau, Missouri, 1819-1970*. Brazeau is a small community in Perry County, Missouri.

This illustrated eighteen-page booklet includes sections entitled "1819-1869: Beginnings and Divisions," "1870-1920: Rebuilding and Crisis," and "1921-1970: A Continuing Witness." There are also historical photographs and portraits, lists of ministers, elders, deacons, "Women of the Church: Bands of Seven – 1891," "Honorary Life Memberships," and "Members of Brazeau Church – March 1836," including five "colored members."

The Presbyterian Church at Brazeau in Perry County was established by Scots-Irish settlers from North Carolina on 2 September 1819. The first extant records date from 1833, and by 1836 the congregation had 73 members. In 1854 a brick church was erected which is still in use. In the same year an academy was founded which lasted until public schools became prevalent in the 1880s. Membership peaked at around 200 in the 1880s, but dissension caused a reorganization in 1890 which resulted in only 60 members remaining. The congregation remains active in 2004.

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