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As the above note states, the Texas Conference Archive is not currently accessible. That should not stop you from contacting the listed persons to ask questions. They are extremely knowledgeable about Methodism in the Texas Conference (and beyond).

There are two resources here at Bridwell Library that might be of use to you. The first is back issues of the Texas Annual Conference journal. The journals contain yearly business meeting proceedings and reports. Through the journals one can trace the appointment of ministers and the changes in circuit and district boundaries over the years. Another set of publications that might be of use to you are the back issues of *Texas Christian Advocate*, a weekly newspaper covering all of the MEC,S annual conferences. Coverage of the disaster that closed the church is likely. Coverage of Lebanon's founding is not very likely, but worth pursuing. In between, occasional mention of the church might be found by reading each page carefully.

You are welcome to conduct research at Bridwell Library using these (and other) resources during Special Collections and Archives operating hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30-5. If you are not available to pursue this research in person, I would be glad to suggest the names of some reliable local research assistants who work on behalf of patrons for a fee.

Wishing you success in your research project and preservation efforts,

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