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# RUINS, WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

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## Location

VAUGHAN SPRINGS ROAD VAUGHAN, MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

## Municipality

MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-1163

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Interpretation of Site      The ruins of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Vaughan, reflect the early settlement of Vaughan for mining purpose and are highly archaeologically significant.

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Property  
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## History

1854: Mr Joseph Chapman establishes an active congregation

1855: described as a weatherboard chapel (36x18ft) seating 120

1858: the property is listed as a stone church (30x18ft) seating 150. The weatherboard chapel is sold.

1860: the church received rent for the schoolhouse, until the purchase of the weatherboard building attached to the church. Construction of outhouses.

1864: additions to schoolhouse. A new church is built (35x20ft).

1865: the church property is described as 1 rood of land with a new brick church erected to hold 170 people. The stone church is now used as a schoolhouse.

1878: timber stables erected

1880: timber fence around church erected.

1921: services cease

1970s: property sold by the church

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