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Carol Board-Westfall, who is knowledgeable about Roane County churches, buildings, etc. relayed to me that she called Joe Pauley, and he said the church was called the Round Knob Church, and that it had been abandoned at least 25 years. The schoolhouse has been remodeled by Joe West, who uses it as a weekend retreat when he visits. His son, Greg, lives nearby on property being part of the old Taylor farm. He said Jane George talked someone into taking the bell and pews to the 4-H Grounds, where they now are.

On page 291 of the Roane County Centennial Newspaper, Carol finds a picture of the church, known as the Round Knob Union Church, with probably a couple hundred people standing out front. Located on Round Knob Creek of Poca River, in Walton District. Date of first organization not available, but church started functioning in 1911.

The church was a Union church for four denominations, the Advent Christian, the Baptist, M. P. Church, and M. E. Church. The article tells who the first trustees were, and who the first pastors were.

The Round Knob Cemetery [aka Sinnett Cem] is located in that area and is the resting place for approx. 90 Roane Co. citizens.

Hope this helps to answer you questions about "Mystery Church."