

## 2017 HANDCRAFTED CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT CHURCH IN THE WILDWOOD



Church in the wildwood is considered the jewel of Heritage Park as it represents Edgewood's religious heritage spanning more than 100 years and is still used for various life celebrations, wedding being the most popular.

The church built in 1897 by the local Methodist congregation was their house of worship until 1923 when the building was sold to the African-American community in Edgewood, where it served as the spiritual center for the Bethlehem Baptist congregation until March 1993. In May of 1993 the building was purchased and moved to Heritage Park Museum. The building features a bell tower which beckoned members to worship and was also a means to alert the community to fires and storms.

This year's ornament is a five-inch replica of the Church in the Wildwood is the thirteenth ornament in a series of the historic buildings in the Heritage Park Museum of East Texas. The

ornament, which can be personalized with up to six names, is designed and crafted by members of the Edgewood Historical Society. The cost of **\$13.00** is used to help defray some of the costs for the development and maintenance of the park. You may pick up your pre-ordered ornament on the day of the festival, **Saturday, November 11th, 2017**. If you prefer to have it mailed, please add \$5.00 to your total for each ornament ordered.

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**To Pre-Order**

**Make Check Payable to:** Heritage Park Museum of East Texas

**Mail to:** Heritage Park Museum of East Texas  
PO Box 765  
Edgewood, TX 75117

Cut here & mail the completed form or bring to the festival. Please add \$5 for postage if ornament is to be mailed.

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**List up to 6 names you want on your ornament. Please print legibly.**

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 4) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_ 5) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_ 6) \_\_\_\_\_

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