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## WHEATLAND CHURCH OF CHRIST

1	Wheatland Church of Christ,
2	also known as the Cross
3	Church, is the oldest Dis-
4	ciples of Christ church
5	built mainly for and by
6	blacks in western Michigan.
7	Thomas Cross (1826-1897),
8	who with five other members
9	founded the church in 1870,
10	was its first elder. Early
11	services were held in the
12	Gingrich and Cross school-
13	houses. When the congregation
14	decided to build a church in
15	1883, Cross donated the land
16	and loaned it the funds. In
17	1968 the church became an
18	independent nondenominational
19	organization.

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