

JOHN JUMPER

From: a letter of Dr. G. J. Johnson,  
Central Baptist, of St. Louis,  
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John Jumper is a noble specimen of an Indian man, a Christian and a Baptist Minister. He is a full-blooded Seminole, 55 years old with slight grey tinging his jet black hair, 6' 4" in height and weighs 255 pounds. His features indicate fair intelligence and strong will and yet great benevolence. He is an active Christian, somewhat wealthy, a natural leader. Has been head chief of the Seminoles for 25 years until a few months since when he declined re-election that as he said he might devote himself more fully to the preaching of the Gospel.

The new house of worship built by the Seminoles is in the grove near to Brother Jumpers residence and is a well constructed frame 25' x 35' on the ground with two stories, the lower for the purposes of week day and Sunday school and the upper floor for public worship; cost \$1000.00. Provided with a small bell hung on a pole frame outside the house set up by being fastened to the trees.