Franklin Church and a Methodist church near Dr. Bennett's united in 1857. William Mahan and Thomas Roberts deeded the land so long as used for a church. In 1858 a subscription was taken and a house was erected, called Fairview.

In 1865 the preacher in charge carried the church to the northern conference or the Methodist Episcopal church. There was much division and dissatisfaction. Some carried it to the North Georgia Conference, and they held the property. Some withdrew and organized Fuller's Chapel; some joined the Presbyterians, only eight members were left; four of the Jefferson family, two Collins; Mrs. Fuller, and Mrs. Presley. The house was ceiled and recovered between 1880-1890. The church now became very zealous and prosperous. In 1891 and 92 it reached the zenith of prosperity. Near fifty were converted and joined, bringing the membership about one hundred. Again it began to wane. The building was becoming old and in 1898 they began to talk of rebuilding. Many of the best families moved away. They got part of the material to rebuild. In 1900 Rev. J. S. Rawls secured a new deed from S. D. Mahan and Mrs. C. E. Watts. They abandoned hopes of rebuilding, and hauled the lumber away. In 1904 the church dissolved with about 20 on roll.

In the summer of 1910 two young preachers, Garitt and Patterson came down from Waleska and held a bush arbor meeting. The 7th of August, Rev. Nath Thompson came down and organized with six. He appointed a S. S. Supt., and building committee. The 15th of August the committee met, elected E. B. Richardson chairman, J. W. Sewell Sec., and Treas. decided on $1000 church, subscribed $225. They had S. S. and preaching in the school house and began taking subscriptions. Howel refused to let us have possessions, but the record was examined and matter adjusted. At the conference 1911 the church extension gave us $200. The building was finished and furnished and dedicated the 8th of October 1912 cost $1100. These are the records for the world. No doubt the recording angel has many other things on his book.

Note: Prof. J. A. Sharp, president of Young Harris College, native son of Cherokee County, Waleska, Ga. preached the dedication sermon.