In the summer of 1871, Rev. William H. Graham, affectionately called Uncle Billy by all who knew him, organized the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Milner in a small one-room school house that was just a few feet from where the handsome brick building now occupied by the church stands. The charter members were: William T. Arnold, steward and secretary; Mrs. Mary E. Arnold, Mrs. Eliza E. Bolton, Thomas A. Bolton, Mrs. C. A. Carter, Miss Georgia Crawley, Mrs. Elizabeth Clark, Miss Sarah J. Clark, J. Sherrod Clark, Miss Jennie Ford Shockley, Miss Lizzie Ford, Miss Permelia Fields, Mrs. Emily Fields, Amanda Hamilton, Sarah J. Hamilton, Seley Hamilton, Luther Holmes, Mrs. Sarah A. Holmes, Mrs. Lucinda R. Howe, Winnie Rush, Luisa Spencer, Mrs. Mary A. Sims, Margaret S. Singleton, Lizzie E. Singleton.

"Uncle Billy" knew little of grammar, but much of Christ and humanity, and spent a long life in working to bring them together. In the day when the Books shall be opened, his name will be found inscribed on the Honor Roll.

In the early years of its history, the church was much indebted to Dr. John P. Hunt, a beloved physician and minister in the Congregational Methodist Church, who labored as zealously for the prosperity of the church as if it had been his own. The church continued to use the little school house till 1874, when the built a house of their own one block west of the Central Railroad and worshipped in it till 1917, when they moved into the brick building erected by them, that year, on the corner of Main and Liberty streets, where they still abide in the prettiest and best small town church in Georgia.