Wilkes County, the Mother of Methodism in Georgia

Grant's Meeting House, was the first Methodist church, located 5 miles east of Washington, in 1787.

Thomas Carter's was the 2nd Methodist church in 1789, near Beaverdam creek, in Elbert, that county having been cut out of Wilkes in 1790.

The condition of the deed to the church was "that if ever used for any other purpose than preaching the doctrine of Wesley, the title should be void."

Where the first Conference was held. Six members and two probationers were present. About $300 were the collections.

Judge Tait's residence was formerly two stories. The writer hunted for this place six years before finding it.

Bishop Asbury reached Georgia April 1, 1787, and the Conference was held a few days later.

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