Years before Temple Church was built Mr. Jim Veale gave a house on his farm for worship, we do not know how many years it was used but when there was a misunderstanding between two of its members a Mr. W.W. Brooks gave land and built a church for his son-in-law Rev. Rorery. There is no record of how long he preach or if there were others.

There was need for another preacher so the conference was asked to send us one, but before this was done, the church and property had to be deeded to the conference which was in 1890 by Wilson W. Brooks with John B. Martin, Wm. R. Tuck, George T. Watson, Joseph Eidson, and R.W. Godfree were chosen as trustees.

This track of land is in Oglethorpe County, Ga. and contains 2891/100 acres.


As our records have been destroyed we cannot give accurate attendance nor complete history.

Beginning with Mr. Rorery we have had the following ministers as preachers: Dr. Reese, Dr. Frazier, Revs. W.L. Pierce, J.V.M. Morris, John Franklin, A.A. Sullivan, A.J. Sears, Hughes, Venable, Spears, Cantrel, W.W. Carroll, B.P. Searcy, A.C. Adams, W.R. England, Ben Smith, Marvin Franklin, J.A. Woodruff, J.F. Davis, Dougherty, B.C. Matterson, C.N. Hayes, (assisted by W.T. Polk) Parks Seagers, B.C. Kerr, J.W. Nichols, W.C. Bowen, E.A. Padgett, James Carver, Shelton Adams, J.W. Matthews, Marion Sherrill, and Pleman Folds.

The benches were hand made by W.W. Brooks and Joe Eidson when the church was built and are still in use and are very comfortable.

The Church has been painted several times on the outside and once on the inside and is being repainted this year. It is of wood structure.

In recent years much improvement has been made, Mrs. C.L. Upchurch added to the beauty of the church by planting shrubbery. The two front doors were changed to one double door, hardwood floors, oil circulating heater, two small electric heaters for the two new Sunday School rooms. Also electric lights, venetians blinds, concrete steps all of which adds to the beauty, comfort and longevity of the building.

To the improvements made we owe our thanks and appreciation to Mr. & Mrs. J.A. Kennedy, The McClain Family, Mr. & Mrs. J.H. Aycock, Mr. & Mrs. H.D. Aycock, Fred Hewell, J.L. Elder, R.A. Godfree, A.J. Edwards, Mr. & Mrs. Vestal Lowe, Mr. & Mrs. M.H. Bradberry and many others who donated so freely for these improvements.

Our church has been on the Winterville, Watkinsville, and Princeton charges of the Athens & Eilberton District.

We are very proud that our church was where Bishop Marvin Franklin preached his first sermon as well as where he found his wife Miss. Ruth Tuck, one of our local girls.

Mrs. J.H. Aycock
Mrs. R.A. Godfree

COMMITTEE:
John A. Kennedy