Date of Report: 5-12-75

Address: Starr Rd

Town: Appling

Zip: 30802

County: Columbia

District: Augusta

Pastor on Date: Dr. Hugh S. Page

Dist. Supt.: Dr. Robert L. Taylor

Name of Church: White Oak

First Recorded Reference (when, where, by whom):
General Book of the year - Ordinary's office, Warren Co, Ga., shows record of Thomas Ansley settling in area in 1760. Another son was Abel, who built historic Lock House at Wrightsboro; next son, Samuel, became Methodist Circuit Rider in 1762. Abel later moved to White Oak Headwaters and opened home to local Methodists; Society in what was Richmond County later became Paul's Parish. First records show John Wade, Caleb Alton, and Samuel Childress assigned to Brunswick Circuit in 1774. See minutes of 1774 General Conference. Then followed (see under former pastor) Thomas Ansley was 1st circuit to John and Charles Wesley.

Affiliation with Any Earlier Group or Church:

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Date Entrance into Conference, Pastor Then:
1804 into Methodist Church — came into 1st Annual Conference

Former Pastors with Dates:
1776: Jno. Shadrack, Robt. Lindsey, Jos. Brunson, Robt. Williams, Wm. Blaney
1778: Wm. Watts, Chas. Hargreaves, John Armstrong
1779: John Dickins, Edward Pride
1780: Thomas Harris, James Harris, Richard Wing (Married descendants still surround church area)
1781: Caleb Bagwell
1782: Richard Hargreaves, Joseph Cromwell, Jeremiah Lambert, Peter Mottamay
1783: Geo. O'Reily, Joseph Cromwell
1784: John Easter
1785: Beverly Allen
1786: Isaac Humphries
1787: Thomas Humphries, Jose Adair
1788: John Pines, Benjamin Coker
1789: Benjamin Morris, Benjamin Coker
1790: James Easter, Thomas Easter
1791: John Clark
1792: Henry Leuchter
1793: Isaac Allen
1794: Wm. Clark, John King
1795: William Harwood, Wm. Wilson
1796: Samuel Cox, John Limonaco
1797: Joseph Coker, Wm. Webb, Robert Harris
1798: Rufus Wilkes, John Col
don't know how many besides Samuel Ansley answered the call.

Please return within month, even if incomplete. Additions can be made.
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Location of Earlier Houses and Present Sanctuary  
Give details of ownership, fires, new structures, sites, parsonages, etc.

- first location on headwaters of White Oak Creek.
- moved to headwaters of Bronson Creek - 1806
- moved back to White Oak Creek in 1870 following burning of Campground by Sherman's Union Army in 1864.

Any Marker or Inscription on Building

- none

Availability of Records, Any Gaps

Written twice in Bishop Abury's Journal - 1792 and 1796

Description of Any Formal History, Newspaper Sketches

Material Enclosed to be Placed in Folder at Archives

Location of Graveyard(s). Earliest dates and some prominent names. Approximate number of graves.

beside church

earliest dates in early 1800's; earlier graves and markers are deteriorated; show only as mounds, rock markers, and depressions.