

CHRONOLOGICAL TABLE

OF

METHODISM IN THE UNITED STATES.

Mr Embury, Irish local preacher, emigrant, preached first Methodist sermon in America (New York)	1766	Christmas conference — Mr Asbury ordained, and also consecrated to the superintendency. Twelve other preachers ordained elders. The Methodist Epis church organized..	1784
First American Methodist Society formed in New York	"	Cokesbury college founded	1785
Captain Webb began to preach	1767	Three conferences held — preachers, 104; members, 18,000	"
Mr Wesley written to for a preacher, April 11th	1768	Presiding elder's office originated	"
First Amer. Methodist Chapel opened in New York, Oct. 30th	"	The name of <i>bishop</i> used by the superintendents	1787
Two Methodist preachers, from England, Richard Boardman and Joseph Pillmore, landed near Phila., Oct. 24	1769	Seven conferences, — preachers, 166; members, 37,354	1788
Two others, Francis Asbury and Richard Wright, sent by Mr. Wesley, and landed in Philadelphia, Oct. 7	1771	Book steward first mentioned, & book business began	1789
Members in New York, 300; and in Philadelphia, 250; and a few in New Jersey and Maryland	"	First general conference in Baltimore. Schism headed by Mr O'Kelly, party termed "Republican Methodists"...	1792
Two other preachers, Thos. Rankin, general assistant, and George Shadford, arrive in June	1773	Located last year 18 preachers and 28	1794
First conference in Phila., — preachers, 10; members, 1160	"	Decrease of members, 6317; and of preachers, 12	1795
Second conf in Phila., — preachers, 17; members, 2070	1774	Third year of decrease, chiefly owing to O Kelly's schism	1796
Messrs Boardman and Pillmore depart for England ..	"	Superannuated fund established to prevent locations	"
Third conf. — preachers, 19; memb. 3148	1775	Out of 263 preachers, 43 located	1797
Remarkable revival through 14 counties of Virginia, under Mr Shadford, and 1800 added to the societies ...	1776	Members, 46 445 white; 12 218 colour'd	"
Freeborn Garrettson received on trial for the itinerancy	1776	John Dickens book steward, died, and Ezekiel Cooper appointed	1799
Revolutionary war began 1775; and 13 colonies declare their independence, July 4 ..	"	Located 29 preachers	"
Fifth conf. in Maryland, — preachers, 36; members, 6968	1777	General conference in Baltimore. Dr Coke allowed to return to Europe. Richard Whatcoat elected bishop. Allowances to children of preachers resolved on, \$16 under 7 years, and \$24 above 7 ..	1800
War continuing, two preachers return to England	"	Great revival in the west introduced <i>camp meetings</i>	"
Sixth conf., — decrease of 6 preachers and 873 members	1778	At camp-meeting in Kentucky about 3000 fell to the ground ..	"
Mr Shadford, not taking the oath, returns to England, and Mr Asbury alone remains of those preachers sent by Mr Wesley	"	Located 32 preachers, and increase of 7980 members ..	1801
Southern and northern preachers differ about administering the sacraments	1779	A protracted meeting of nine days in Rockingham ..	1802
Trial of preachers altered from one year to two years	"	Preachers, 358; members, 86,734; increase of 13,860 members	"
Decrease of 73 members and 7 preach.	1780	Camp-meet's spread thro' several states	1803
Increase of 2035 do 12 do ..	1781	Fourth general conf; bishops Coke, Asbury, and Whatcoat presided	1804
Members, 11,785; preachers, 59 ..	1782	Book concern removed from Philadelphia to New York	"
Eleventh conference, — preachers, 82; members, 13,740	1783	Located 48 preachers	"
Peace with England. Two days appointed for thanksgiving by the conf.	"	Methodism introduced into some parts of Louisiana ..	1806
Mr Wesley ordains Dr. Coke for the service of the American Methodists	1784	Camp meeting on eastern shore of Maryland, and 1000 converted	"
Appoints Dr Coke & Mr Asbury joint superintendents, and Richard Whatcoat and Thos Vasey elders, of the American Methodists ..	"	Bishop Whatcoat died 5th July	"
		Located 48 preachers in 1806, and 32	1807
		At general conference, Wm McKendree chosen bishop	1808
		Located 53 preachers, and increase of 11,043 members,	1809
		Genesee confer. formed, and Canada preachers included in it	1810

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