

## A Selection of Notable Events Associated with Methodism

<b>1703</b>	<b>June 17</b>	Birth of John Wesley at Epworth, Lincolnshire
<b>1707</b>		Birth of Charles Wesley at Epworth, Lincolnshire
<b>1709</b>		Fire at Epworth Rectory
<b>1725</b>	<b>September 25</b>	John Wesley ordained deacon in Anglican Church
<b>1726</b>	<b>March 17</b>	John Wesley elected Fellow of Lincoln College, Oxford
<b>1729</b>		Methodist Society formed at Oxford University
<b>1735</b>		Death of Rev. Samuel Wesley at Epworth
	<b>October</b>	John Wesley sailed for Georgia
<b>1738</b>	<b>February 1</b>	John Wesley lands at Deal after turbulent time in Georgia
<b>1738</b>	<b>May 24</b>	John Wesley's Aldersgate Street conversion
<b>1739</b>	<b>April 2</b>	John Wesley's first open air sermon in Bristol
<b>1739</b>	<b>June 5</b>	New Room, Bristol opened for public worship
		First schoolhouse built at Kingswood, Bristol
	<b>November</b>	Foundry Chapel in Moorfields, London opened
<b>1744</b>	<b>June 25</b>	First Methodist Conference held in the Foundry Chapel
<b>1748</b>	<b>June 24</b>	John Wesley opened enlarged Kingswood School in Bristol
<b>1760s</b>		First overseas Methodists in Antigua and America
<b>1769</b>		First preachers volunteer to go to America
<b>1778</b>	<b>January</b>	Armenian Magazine launched
	<b>November</b>	Opening of Wesley's Chapel in City Road
<b>1779</b>	<b>August</b>	First Conference held in the new Chapel
<b>1780</b>		New Methodist Hymn Book published
<b>1784</b>	<b>September 2</b>	John Wesley ordained Thomas Coke, Whatcoat and Vasey as missionaries to America – in Dighton Street, Bristol
<b>1786</b>		First missionaries sent to West Indies
<b>1788</b>	<b>March 29</b>	Death of Charles Wesley
<b>1790</b>	<b>October 6</b>	John Wesley's last open air sermon at Winchelsea
<b>1791</b>	<b>February 23</b>	John Wesley's last sermon at Leatherhead
<b>1791</b>	<b>March 2</b>	Death of John Wesley
<b>1797</b>		Methodist New Connexion founded in Leeds
<b>1811</b>		Primitive Methodist Connexion founded in The Potteries
<b>1812</b>		Woodhouse Grove School founded
<b>1814</b>		First Missionaries sent to Asia
<b>1815</b>		Bible Christians founded in Cornwall
		First Missionaries sent to Australia
<b>1818</b>		Wesleyan Missionary Society founded

<b>1827</b>		Protestant Methodist Connexion founded
<b>1834</b>		Beginning of Ministerial training
<b>1834</b>		Wesleyan Methodist Association founded
<b>1834</b>		Tolpuddle Martyrs
<b>1849</b>		The Wesleyan Reform Movement founded
<b>1857</b>		United Methodist Free Churches formed
<b>1898</b>		Wesleyan Methodist “Twentieth Century Fund” launched
<b>1904</b>		Wesleyan Methodist Twentieth Century Fund closed having raised £1,073,682
<b>1907</b>		United Methodist Church formed
<b>1908</b>		Wesleyan Methodist Historic Roll collated
<b>1912</b>	<b>October 3</b>	Westminster Central Hall opened – Historic Roll put on public display
<b>1932</b>	<b>October</b>	The Methodist Church formed with the coming together of United Methodist, Primitive Methodist and Wesleyan Methodist Churches.
<b>1946</b>	<b>January</b>	Inaugural session of the United Nations Assembly held in Westminster Methodist Central Hall (Great Hall)
<b>2003</b>	<b>November</b>	Anglican-Methodist Covenant signed in the presence of HM Queen Elizabeth II in Westminster Methodist Central Hall followed by a service in Westminster Abbey