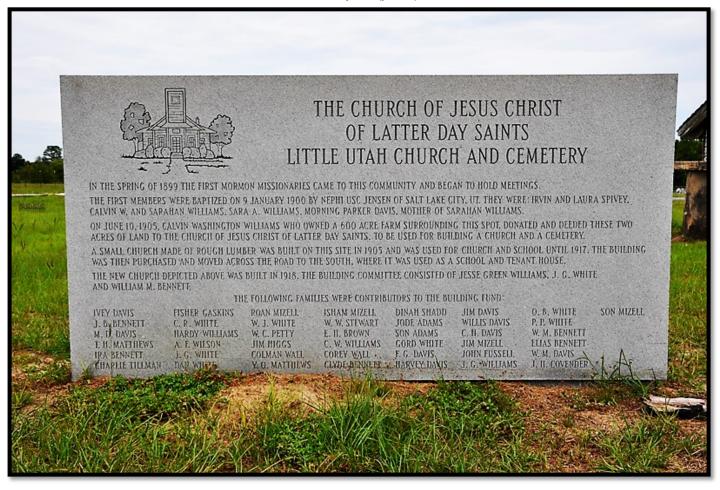
LITTLE UTAH MONUMENT Axson, Atkinson County, Georgia

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THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS LITTLE UTAH CHURCH AND CEMETERY

In the spring of 1899 the first Mormon missionaries came to this community and began to hold meetings. The first members were baptized on 9 January 1900 by Nephi USC Jensen of Salt Lake City, UT. They were Irvin and Laura Spivey, Calvin W. and Sarahan Williams, Sara A. Williams, Morning Parker Davis, mother of Sarahan Williams.

On June 10, 1905, Calvin Washington Williams who owned a 600 acre farm surrounding this spot, donated and deeded these two acres of land to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints to be used for building a church and cemetery.

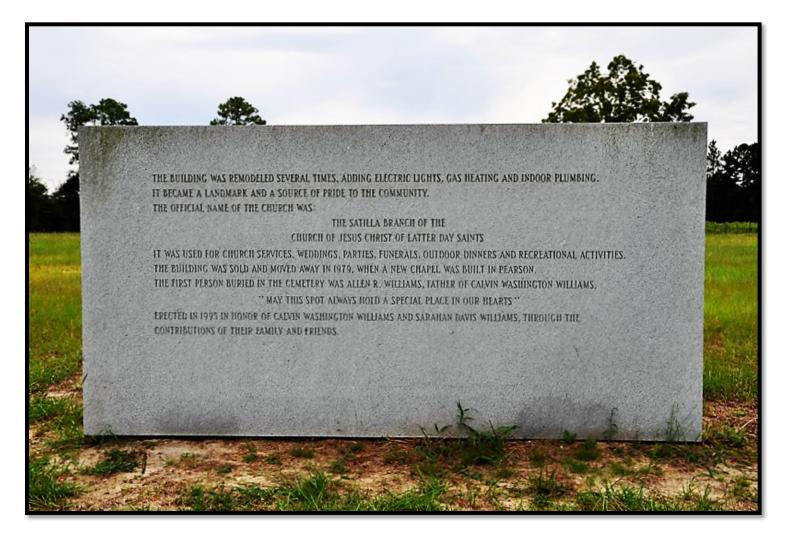
A small church made of rough lumber was built on this site in 1905 and was used for church and school until 1917. The building was then purchased and moved across the road to the south, where it was used as a school and tenant house.

The new church depicted above was built in 1918. The building committee consisted of Jesse Green Williams, J.G. White and William M. Bennett.

The following families were contributors to the building fund:

Ivey Davis	Fisher Gaskins	Roan Mizell	Isham Mizell	Dinah Shadd	Jim Davis,	O.B. White	Son Mizell
J.B. Bennett	C.R. White	W.J. White	W.W. Stewart	Jode Adams	Willis Davis	P.P. White	
M.D. Davis	Hardy Williams	W.C. Petty	E.H. Brown	Son Adams	C.H. Davis	W.M. Bennett	
T.H. Matthews	A.F. Wilson	Jim Higgs	C.W. Williams	Gord White	Jim Mizell	Ellias Bennett	
Ira Bennett	J.G. White	Colman Wall	Corey Wall	F.G. Davis	John Fussell	W. M. Davis	
Charlie Tillman	Dan White	Y.O. Matthews	Clyde Bennett	Harvey Davis	J.G. Williams	J.H. Covender	

--- North face (back) ---



The building was remodeled several times, adding electrical lighting and indoor plumbing. It became a landmark and a source of pride to the community. The official name of the church was:

THE SATILLA BRANCH OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

It was used for church services, weddings, parties, funerals, outdoor dinners and recreational activities. The building was sold and moved away in 1979, when a new chapel was built in Pearson. The First person buried in the cemetery was Allen R. Williams, father of Calvin Washington Williams.

"MAY THIS SPOT ALWAYS HOLD A SPECIAL PLACE IN OUR HEARTS."

Erected in 1995 in honor of Calvin Washington Williams and Sarahan Davis Williams, through the contributions of their family and friends.