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A Transfer of Membership, 1771.

TO the Church of Christ of the Baptist Denomination meeting in Grafton Street, London, under the pastoral care of the Revd. Mr. Benjamin Messer,

We, the Church of Christ, of the same faith and order, meeting at Reading in the County of Berks, under the pastoral care of Thos. Davis,

Sendeth Christian Salutation.

Dearly Beloved in the Lord,

As God in His Providence hath removed from us our sister Eliz. Giles and situated her near you, and as she have signified a desire of joining in Gospel Fellowship with you, this is to certify that she was baptized on Profession of Faith in Christ Jesus, and joined with us as a member in full communion, and so stands with us in that relation at this time; and as nothing hath appeared to us while she continued at Reading, but her life and conversation was agreeable to the Gospel of Christ, we therefore recommend her to you, to be watched over in the Lord, not doubting but she will continue the same thro' Divine Grace while under your care as a Church; our desire is that you will receive her in the Lord, and so conclude with our desires that the God of all Grace, Mercy and Peace, may surround you with His Divine Perfections as a wall of fire, and be the Glory in the midst of you, that you may be as a garden enclosed, a spring shut up, and a fountain sealed, and that He may dwell in the midst of you as in a fragrant mountain of myrrh, and a sweet hill of frankincense, that the bright day of Gospel Grace may shine in upon many souls, to your abundant joy, and that all shadows of darkness, afflictions, trials and temptation may be swallowed up at last in an open Day of Glory, that the refreshing streams, from that bounteous river of God's matchless love, may enrich both pastor and people, that the name of the little City where you are fellow citizens, may be the Lord is there, that you may glorify God as a Church in this time state and be glorified with Jesus to all Eternity, is the unfeigned prayer of us your Brethren in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel of Christ, amen.

Signed at our Church Meeting this 23 Day of June 1771

By us in Behalf of the whole,

WM. MATTINGLOR.

ROBT. MILLS.

RICHARD COATES.

THOS. BUCKNEY.

WM. DEUNELL.

THOS. DAVIS.

JOHN MUNDY.

JOHN HALL.

RT. COLLIER.

JS. WINCH.

M. PORTER.

STEPN. MUNDY.