

ANGUS LIBRARY MANUSCRIPT ACQUISITIONS 1993

Baptist Student Federation minute books, 1947-61, and papers.

Baptist Total Abstinence Association, minutes of committee and annual meetings, 12 June 1917 to 9 February 1926.

Brasted Baptist Church: account books 1936-85, cash books 1947-89, cash books 1934-42 (Sunday School), Christian Endeavour secretary's minutes 1935-51, and registers 1936-51, church minutes June 1877-November 1989, deacons' minutes 1894-1989, Local Preachers' Associations minutes June 1888-October 1911, members' registers 1877-1937 and 1955-89, miscellaneous correspondence 1897-1938, Missionary Auxiliary accounts 1903-41 and 1949-73, Sunday School minutes December 1897-July 1932, transfer books and letters from Brasted 1897-1962 and to Brasted 1908-68, visitors' book 1970-88.

Chatham, Zion Baptist Church: accounts books 1908-22 and 1931-64, balance sheets 1964-83, building matters and surveyors' plans, 1969-92, burials 1785-1837 (photocopy from Non-Parochial registers), choir accounts 1928-59, choir minutes and correspondence 1975-79, church book with members' list 1786-1992 and minutes 1841-1943 (on loan) and 1968-86, church growth survey 1974-84, church notice books 1986-88, church treasurer's cash books 1965-85, communion registers 1947-66, deacons' minutes 1969-81, documents connected with closure 1992, finance records 1983-91, finance correspondence 1960-90, induction greetings 1987, Inland Revenue and NI forms 1987-91, insurance documents 1949-83, Ladies Friendship Circle cash book 1973-82, List of marriages registered 1899-1990, miscellaneous correspondence 1961-91, dispute and arbitration papers 1895-6, register of members 1977-92, schedule of deeds and documents 1784-1929, United Sunday School account book 1937-61.

Eythorne Baptist Church, Kent: births 1723-1837 (photocopy of transcript by K. Hollingsbee), Diary 1787-1824 of John Giles (1758-1827), typed transcript,.

Hither Green Baptist Church: church minutes 1938-1986, with deacons' minutes 1971-85.

(Lewes) Baptist Church, Sussex: church minute book, 1806-1812, identified as Lewes by pastor's visit to Liverpool in 1812 and by names of messengers to Kent and Sussex Association meetings in 1813.

London, Stepney: (church connected with the college): minutes 1827-1847, with members' list 1825-47.

Oxford, New Road Baptist Church: church and deacons' minutes, registers, account books, miscellaneous documents, 1780-1975.

Rochester, Borstal St Baptist Church: Account books 1963-90, finance correspondence and HMF application forms 1963-82.

Russell, David: papers during General Secretaryship of the Baptist Union of Gt Britain, 1967-82 (closed for 30 years).

Shoreham Baptist Church: church minutes 1897-1963, with history from 1870 and

registers 1900-22, and 1964, final service audio cassette 1982, treasurer's accounts 1934-47, miscellaneous documents,

Soham, Cambs., Baptist Church: church book, including Andrew Fuller's 'Narrative', transcript by Mrs L. Grimshaw, 1984.

Stogumber Baptist Church: minute book and register of births 1779-1874 (photocopy).

Sussex Baptist Association: financial material, ca.1970s and 1980s (closed until 2010).

Williams, Maurice F.: papers and index to reading (detailed list of papers made by Revd Alan Smith in Archives catalogue).

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RECENT PUBLICATIONS

J. Wills, *Hints to Trustees of Chapel Property and Chapel Keepers Manual*, 3rd edition, 1884, Facsimile introduced by David Barton, Chapels Society, 1993.

Available from David Barton, Hillcrest, Bent Lane, Darley Hillside, Matlock, Derbyshire, PE4 2HN. £3-50 inclusive of postage.

Wills is down to earth with practical advice on damp, cleaning, ventilation, warming, lighting, and the chapel keeper, with briefer comment on Building Committees, acoustics, seeing the preacher, and different kinds of chapels. The son of a Kingsbridge local preacher, John Wills was a pillar of the Wesleyan Church in Derby. Most of his commissions were for Wesleyan churches but he built for Baptists too, in date order: Holland Road, Brighton; Crosshills, Leicester; Ceylon Place, Eastbourne; Sevenoaks; Oswestry; Teddington; Prichard Memorial, Llangollen; New Southgate; Lower Chapel, Chesham; Chiswick; Harris Street, Peterborough; Kingston upon Thames; Queen's Road, Wimbledon; Redditch; Immanuel, Southsea; Earlsfield; Ramsgate; Plymouth; Haddenham; and Walmer.

John E. White, *A Modern Pilgrim*, Down Under Publications, 1993 (ISBN 0 646 13643 7) (available from 24 Blaxland Street, Easter Heights 4305, Queensland, Australia, A\$15) is the autobiography of one of Queensland's best loved pastors who secured an OBE for his services to the community, the degrees of MA and LTh for pioneering academic work as a Baptist pastor, and was president of his denomination in 1959, thereafter being made an Honorary Life Member. These chapters afford valuable insights into Baptist life in Australia and into the leadership of one of its most scholarly and deeply spiritual pastors.