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**RECORDS
OF
INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCHES**

WEST YORKSHIRE

CIRCUIT RECORDS

Holme Lane District

Rules and Doctrines of the Christian Brethren, 1858
(MS and typescript copies)

Cleckheaton Circuit (later Cleckheaton and Baildon Green)

Minute Books 1888-1911, 1911-32, 1932-52
Balance Sheet 1937-38
Youth Council Minutes 1949-1953
YP Conference Programme 1953

Emley Circuit

No extant records

Yorkshire Circuit

WA Minutes 1970-85

Circuit Plans

Bingley Circuit

1885 Jan-Mar
1886 Jan-Apr

Cleckheaton Circuit

1884 Jan-Apr, May-Aug
1885 May-Jul

Cleckheaton and Baildon Green Circuit

1936 Apr-Sep
1937-8 Oct-Mar
1938 Apr-Sep
1950 Apr-Sep
1951 Apr-Sep
1965 Mar-Sep
1975 Apr-Sep
1976-7 Oct-Mar

(This Circuit later merged with the Emley Circuit - see Yorkshire Circuit for subsequent plans)

Yorkshire Circuit

(formed c.1980 from former Cleckheaton/Baildon Green and Emley Circuits)

1981-2 Oct-Mar
1987 Apr-Sep
1988-9 Oct-Mar
1992 Apr-Sep
1992-3 Oct-Mar
1994 Apr-Sep
1997-8 Oct-Mar
2002 Apr-Sep
2004 Apr-Sep
2011 Apr-Sep

BINGLEY INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCH
Leonard Street, Bingley

Founded 1848, chapel built 1868.

Church Records

Minute Books	1873-91, 1891-1935
Church Notices	1890-97, 1898-1901, 1973-80
Membership Book	1935-58 (and a later year undated) (containing Statement of Beliefs and Church Rules)
Membership Transfer Book	1898-1903
Seat Rents	1877-94, 1894-96
Financial Secretary's Books	1918-30, 1927-33, 1930-34 (including hospitality list for Annual Meeting 1968)
Visitors' Book	1886
Communion Register?	1895-97

Sunday School Records

Minute Books	1859-75
School Registers	1875-90, 1890-1913
Young Women's Class Register	1886-92
Young Men's Class Register	1888-92, 1895, 1897
1 st . Boys' Class Register	1889-90
2 nd . Boys' Class Register	1891-1901 (with an earlier register crossed out), 1900-01
3 rd . Boys' Bible Class Register	1889-90
5 th . Girls' Class Register	1889-90 +
7 th . Girls' Class Register	1889-90
Teachers' Registers	1872-84, 1885-1901
Primary Register	1936-41

Miscellaneous

Typescript History of Bingley and Cleckheaton Churches	undated.
Centenary Celebrations Programme	1948
Road Safety Service Programme	1985 (2 copies)
Wesleyan Church Guiseley	1906
(amended with details for Bingley)	1908
Total Abstinence Register (part) undated	
Letters re organist vacancy	1894
various items of correspondence and bills	1890s
Newspaper cutting with story of church organ	undated
Community Hymns and Choruses	1968

THORNHILL LEES INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCH

Lees Hall Road, Dewsbury

Gift Day appeal	1979
Gospel Group	1981

All other records at Kirklees Record Office, Huddersfield

EMLEY INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCH

File of correspondence relating to closure 1949-1950

BAILDON GREEN INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCH

Closed 1991
Now a Free Evangelical Church

Church Minutes	1939-60, 1960-88
Sunday School Minutes	1956-71
W. A. Minutes	1932-49, 1950-64, 1964-88
Baptismal Register	1887-1943, 1943-1990
Ledger	1948-61
Cash Book	1883-1926, 1958-72, 1973-84,
Treasurer's Book	1883-1922
WA cash book	1939-60, 1960-85
Notices	1957-61, 1966-70, 1979-83, 1983-84, 1986-91
Anniversary leaflet	1934
Selected Hymns	
Transcript of Deed	1878
Copy of Charity Commission scheme	1992
Correspondence from Charity Commissioners	1995
Correspondence with Shipley Pentecostal Church and AOG	1992
Correspondence and news Cuttings re Michael Pollard	

PROVIDENCE INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCH, DEWSBURY

Newspaper Cuttings - opening of Sunday School building, 1912
- centenary, 1960 (plus newspaper photo)
- Bible reading sponsored event 1988

Anniversary hymn sheets 1857, 1859, 1863, 1896, 1900

Reunion, Tea and Meeting	1903
Bazaar and sale of work	1912
Stonelaying poster	1912
Service of Remembrance	1960
Newscutting from IM Magazine	1967

List of scholars taking Scripture Exam (undated)

Letter D. Batley to A. Winnard enquiring church's date of origin

MS dated 1959, dating origin of church to 1845 (taken from Mounfield's history)

BATLEY INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCH

Cambridge Street, Batley

Closed 1971

File of correspondence relating to disposal of property and establishment of trust fund.

All other records at Kirklees Record Office

THORNHILL EDGE INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCH

Edge Lane, Dewsbury

Church closed 1987 and subsequently demolished.

File of correspondence relating to closure of church

Centenary celebrations leaflet

1942

Two anniversary sheets

1971

Two newsletters

undated

It is not known what happened to this church's records after it closed

NOOK INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCH, CLECKHEATON

Commenced 1845

Closed 2011

Printed History

150th Anniversary Booklet,
Combined with celebration of 250 years of
Methodist preaching in Cleckheaton,
By Nolene Hobson and Gordon Terry

1995

Registers

Baptismal Registers

1842-74 (combined with membership
register), 1875-1927, 1928-1991
1991-2006

Marriage Registers

1956-64, 1968-79, 1981-90, 1990-2005

Membership Registers

1845-1912 (with baptism register)

1913-1938, 1938-1992

Junior Membership Registers

1941-80, 1966-97 (address book)

Minutes

Members' Meeting and Officers' Minutes

1885-97, 1897-1909, 1937-42, 1953-60,
1973-82, 1983-95, 1994-2000, 2000-07,
2007-11

Sunday School

Minutes

1933-41, 1941-50, 1950-74, 1974-82

Anniversary hymnsheets

1909, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1928,
1929, 1930, 1933, 1954, 1955, 1956
plus some undated

'Nooker' Magazine

Issues 1-18 complete

1952-55

Special issue

2005

Christian Endeavour

Register and list of committees

1893-95

Minutes

1924-47

Men's Fellowship and Social Group

Minutes and records of meetings

1969-75

Choir

Register

1928-45

Band of Hope

Minutes

1879-95, 1920-32, 1932-45

Pledge Registers

1879-93, 1934-45

Set of parents' consent forms

various

Sisterhood/Women's Auxiliary

Record of meetings

1912-21

Minutes

1914-54, 1954-68, 1969-90

Typescript History of Sisterhood

1978

Darby & Joan Club?

Minutes

1958-65, 1965-90 (closed)

?Club

Minutes

1973-77

Financial Records

Income and Expenditure book

1964-94

Ledgers

1929-85, 1936-95

Young Men and Women's Treasurer's Book1	1944-56
Young Men's Class bank book	1942-49

Scrapbooks and Photo Albums

Kirkwood Hospice Flower Festival	2003
150 th Anniversary Celebrations	1995
150 th Anniversary Flower Festival	1995
Darby and Joan Christmas Album	1966-67
Nolene Hobson Presidential Year	1995-6
Loose collection of photos (filing cabinet)	various

Ministers' Reports

Reports by N. Hobson and D. Hopkinson	2008-11
Reopening Service Programme	1953
Some news cuttings	
Article on choir history	
Trustees' papers and invoices	1874-87

Certificates

Scripture Examination (in map chest)	1947
Scripture Examination (framed)	1978
National Union of Railwaymen Orphan Fund To Miss M. E. Read	1925-27

Miscellaneous records in folders

1. 150 th Anniversary	1995
2. Local newspaper articles – N. Hobson	und.
3. Annual Meeting reports and balance sheets	1955-66
4. Tenancy of flat	
5. Inspections for fire, hygiene, entertainment	
6. Legal matters:	
Trustees' appointment	1874
Place of worship certificate	1898
Marriages certificate	1887
Charity registration	1973
Correspondence re model deed	
Map showing church location	
7. Caretaker contract	
Lettings charges	
Kitchen inventory	
Caretaker's and organist's duties	
8. Special services and events: programmes	
9. Piano and organ records	
10. Stair lift	
11. Property repairs and warranties	1979-90
12. Miscellaneous correspondence	1880s onwards
13. Outings and concerts	
Quotations for pottery	1932

14. United services	1962
Hospitality lists	1938-9
15. Balance sheets for church and school	various
Bazaar/sale of work balances	various
Operatic Society	1936
16. Newspaper and magazine cuttings	various
17. Correspondence and quotations re building of chapel	1874-5
18. Founding principles	1845
List of original members	
Typescript history	
Address at tea meeting	1887
Welcome leaflet	1970