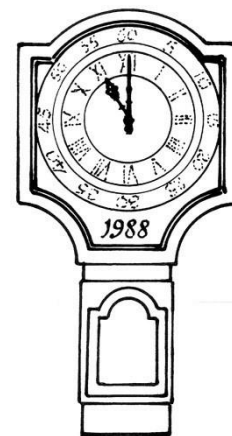


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Book Review: *The English country house chapel: building a protestant tradition* by Annabel Ricketts, reviewed by Joy Rowe.

Book Review: *The Artifice of eternity: the Byzantine-Romanesque revival in Catholic Lancashire* by J. A. Hilton, reviewed by Christopher Wakeling.

Book Review: *Dissenters all!: the story of the nonconformist churches of the Malverns* by R. A. Ellis, reviewed by J. Edward C. Peters.

Book Review: *Bradshaw Gass & Hope: The story of an architectural practice – the first one hundred years 1862–1962* by Jane and Timothy Lingard, reviewed by Roger N. Holden

Book Review: *Cote Baptist Chapel: a history and guide* by Kate Tiller, reviewed by Stephen Page.

Newsletter 40, January 2009

Proceedings: Visit to Canterbury, 4 October 2008, by Andrew Worth; Postscript; Future visits.

Article: The Seven Tin Tabernacles of Neasden by Andrew Worth.

News: Calvin Quincentenary Pilgrimage; The Mid-Nineteenth Century Anglo-Jewish Community: a database project; Editorial.

Casework Report.

Notes and Queries.

Book Review: *Religion and Place: Liverpool's historic places of worship* by Sarah Brown and Peter de Figueiredo, reviewed by Christopher Stell.

Book Review: *Salem Chapel [East Budleigh, Devon]: A History and Guide* by Victoria Nutt, reviewed by Bridget Cherry.

Book Review: *Cornubia's Son: A life of Mark Guy Pearse* by Derek R. Williams, reviewed by Ian Haile.

Book Review: *Beautiful the Landscape: the story of Church Planting from St Mary's, Castle Street, Reading* by John Dearing, reviewed by Chris Skidmore.

Book Review: *A Century of the Unitarian Women's League (British League of Unitarian & other Liberal Christian Women) 1908–2008: a selection from the League Newsletter* edited by Judy Hague, reviewed by Gil Skidmore.

Newsletter 41, May 2009

Article: The Germantown (Philadelphia) Mennonite Meetinghouse by Keith Sprunger.

News: Listed institutional chapels and Heritage Protection legislation; Methodists appoint Heritage officer; Churches and faith buildings: realising the potential.

Notes and Queries.

Article: What is the name of this house? by Edwin Rose.

Article: Primitive Methodism and the Gothic Revival by John H Anderson.

Book Reviews: More on Methodism: *Itinerant temples – Tent Methodism 1814–1842*, by John K Lander, and *Primitive Methodism*, by Geoffrey Milburn, both reviewed by Paul Gardner.

News: Chapel trails; Catholic chapels in the care of Historic Chapels Trust; Gwithian Methodist Chapel; Wesleyan Methodist New Church, Highgate.

Forthcoming books: *The London Friends' Meetings* by William Beck and T Frederick Ball; *John Wesley's Preachers: a social and statistical analysis of the British and Irish preachers who entered the Methodist itinerancy before 1791* by John Lenton;

Book Review: *A View from the North: life, politics and faith seen from England's northernmost constituency* by Alan Beith, reviewed by Winifred Stokes.

Book Review: *Faith, Hope and Love: 120 years of Methodism in West Bridgford* edited by Hinrich Siefken and Stuart Mason, reviewed by David R Watts.

Newsletter 42, September 2009

Proceedings: Visit to Abingdon, Wallingford and the Vale of White Horse, 16 May 2009, by Tim Grass; Visit to Oakham and Rutland, 4 July 2009, by Joy Rowe; Report of the 21st Annual General Meeting, by Sara Crofts; Personalia: David Quick.

Article: The Congregational chapel, Cowleigh Rd, Malvern, Worcestershire by J. Edward C. Peters.

Article: Inspired or Uninspired? Does English Heritage understand nonconformist chapels? by D Colin Dews.

News: Our next publication – Miscellany 2.

Notes and Queries.

Book Review: *An Account of the Baptist Churches of Shropshire and the Surrounding Areas*, by Michael Collis, reviewed by David R. Watts.

Book Review: *Powerhouses of provincial architecture 1837–1914*, edited by Kathryn Ferry, reviewed by Christopher Wakeling.

Book Review: *Religion and place in Leeds*, by John Minnis with Trevor Mitchell, reviewed by Alan Rose.

Newsletter 43, January 2010

Proceedings: Visit to Newcastle upon Tyne, 10 October 2009 by Edward Royle.

Article: A little bit of Switzerland in Endell Street by Tony Redman.

Article: Worship spaces focus on light by Chris Skidmore.

Comment: Inspired or Uninspired by Ian Serjeant.

Book Review: *The London Friends' Meetings*, by William Beck and T. Frederick Ball, 2009 reprint of 1869 edition, new introduction by Simon Dixon and Peter Daniels, reviewed by Christopher Stell.

Book Review: *John Wesley's Preachers: a social and statistical analysis of the British and Irish preachers who entered the Methodist itinerancy before 1791*, by John Lenton, reviewed by John A Hargreaves.

Newsletter 44, May 2010

Article: A meetinghouse on the American Great Plains by Keith Sprunger.

Article: Two Cumbrian cottage chapels by Chris Skidmore.

Book Review: *A Glimpse of Heaven: Catholic churches of England and Wales*, by Christopher Martin, photographs by Alan Ramsay, reviewed by Amanda Arrowsmith and Jill Mortiboys.

Book Review: *Churches of Mann: Isle of Man churches, chapels and keeills explored in words and music*, by Jonathan Kewley and others, reviewed by Tim Grass.

Book Review: *Bedford St Luke's: a bit of church history*, by David Bunney, reviewed by David R Watts.

Book Review: *Bethesda Methodist chapel, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent: a history and guide*, by Judith Leigh, John H Anderson and John S Booth, reviewed by Christopher Wakeling.

Newsletter 45, September 2010

Proceedings: Visit to South Buckinghamshire, 17 April 2010 by John Thompson; Visit to Notting Hill, London, 3 July 2010 by Alan Petford; Report of the 22nd Annual General Meeting by Sara Crofts.

Article: The Baptist Lights of Shrewton by Alison Light.

Article: A conservative take on conservation by Clyde Binfield.

Book Review: *Chapels and Chapel People: Miscellany 2*, edited by Chris Skidmore, reviewed by Leonard Smith.

Newsletter 46, January 2011

Proceedings: Visit to Rugby & Northamptonshire, 2 October 2010 by Peter Ackers; Jonathan Christopher Morgan (1943–2010) [obituary]

Article: Cokelers – the gentle sect by Stella Bond.

Article: Searching for Lollards and the Green Chapel – Ludchurch in North Staffordshire by Andrew Worth.

Casework: Report by Sara Crofts.

Book Review: *The Church with a Mission: Oxford Place Methodist Chapel, Leeds* by D. Colin Dews, reviewed by David A. Quick.

Book Review: *Tin Tabernacles: Postcard Album* by Ian Smith, reviewed by Tim Grass.

Book Review: *Watts Chapel: A Guide to the Symbols of Mary Watts's Arts and Crafts Masterpiece* by Mark Bills, reviewed by Sara Crofts.

Book Review: *London's 100 Best Churches: An Illustrated Guide* by Leigh Hatts, reviewed by Andrew Worth.

Newsletter 47, May 2011

Article: Edward Jeffreys, evangelist of the Black Country: his Ministry and its impact by David Watts.

Proceedings: Membership matters by Robin Phillips.

Book Review: *Designs for Churches and Chapels* by W. F. Pocock, reviewed by D. Colin Dews.

Book Review: *West End Methodism – The Story of Hinde Street* by Alan Brooks, reviewed by Paul Gardner.

Book Review: *Deep Roots Living Branches: a history of Baptists in the English Western Midlands* by the Revd Alan Betteridge, reviewed by David R. Watts.

Book Review: *Friends Meeting Houses* (occas. magazine) by John Hall, reviewed by David M. Butler.

Newsletter 48, September 2011

Proceedings: Visit to the Isle of Man, 29 April–2 May 2011 by Rod Ambler and David S. Knight; Visit to Exeter, 9 July 2011 by Paul Gardner; 23rd Annual General Meeting 2011 by Sara Crofts.

Article: War Memorials Trust and In Memoriam by Frances Moreton.

Website: Update by Sara Crofts.

Book Review: *E. Royle, From Philistines to Goths: Nonconformist Chapel Styles in Victorian England* in C. Dyer, A. Hopper, E. Lord and N. Tringham (eds.) *New Directions in Local History Since Hoskins*, reviewed by Alan Petford.

Newsletter 49, January 2012

Proceedings: Visit to Henley and the South Chilterns, 1 October 2011 by John Anderson; Travelling with the Chapels Society by Keith and Aldine Sprunger.

Article: Gospel Hall, Cowleigh Road, Malvern, Worcs by J. Edward C. Peters.

Book Review: *The Synagogues of Britain and Ireland* by Sharman Kadish, reviewed by Petra Laidlaw.

Book Review: *The Eighteenth-Century Church in Britain* by Terry Friedman, reviewed by W.M. Jacob.

Book Review: *A History of Trinity Church, Sutton 1907–2007* by Colin Howard, reviewed by Stephen Page.

Book Review: *Spires and Meeting Houses: A History of the Origins, Growth and Development of Congregationalism in and around Oxford* by Michael Hopkins, reviewed by Martin Wellings.

Book Review: *Rutland in Dissent* by Pauline Collett, reviewed by Anthony Earl.

Book Review: *Battle Abbey & Battle Churches since 1066* by Keith D. Foord, reviewed by Stephen Page.

Newsletter 50, May 2012

Proceedings: Personalia: Jean West; Conference on 'Sitting in Chapel' by Rosalind Kaye; A pew mystery [Henley URC].

Article: Return to Ranelagh – William Fuller Peacock and the Sloane Terrace and Ranelagh Chapels by Clyde Binfield.

Article: Chapel beginnings of a secular architect: the case of Edwin Lutyens by Chris Skidmore.

Article: Visits by Christopher Wakeling.

Book Review: *The Diaries of Cornelius Ashworth, 1782–1816*, edited by Richard Davies, Alan Petford and Janet Senior, reviewed by Edward Royle.

Book Review: *Churches 1870–1914*, edited by Teresa Sladen and Andrew Saint, reviewed by Christopher Wakeling.

Book Review: *To The Glory of God* by Ray Oakley, reviewed by A. J. Petford.

Newsletter 51, September 2012

Proceedings: Personalia: Rod Ambler; Visit to Kidderminster, Bewdley and Stourbridge, 14 April 2012 by Rod Ambler; Visit to Hampstead, 7 July 2012 by Chris Skidmore; Annual General meeting by Sara Crofts; Membership matters by Paul Gardner.

Article: Jobson centenary by Christopher Wakeling.

Book Review: *Houses with Private Chapels in the Heart of England* by John Kinross, reviewed by Sara Crofts.

Newsletter 52, January 2013

Proceedings: Visit to Harrogate and Nidderdale, 22 September 2012 by Judith Bartlett; Membership matters.

Article: The former Friends meeting House, Stockton-on-Tees by Michael Atkinson.

Article: From synagogue to Church by John Dearing.

Book Review: *Capeli/Chapels* by Tim Rushton, reviewed by Chris Skidmore.

Book Review: *The Autobiography of James Gregson. Actor, Playwright, Broadcaster, Journalist* edited by Barry D. Smith, reviewed by Tony Stoller.

Newsletter 53, May 2013

Proceedings: Visit to Stowmarket, Suffolk, and surrounding area by Tony Coates; Membership matters.

Article: Equal in death: the Moravian burial ground by Gillian Darley.

Article: A chapel reordering by Barbara Phillips [Pitt Street Chapel, Liverpool].

Book Review: *'There my friends and kindred dwell' – The Strict Baptist Chapels of Suffolk and Norfolk* by Tim Grass, reviewed by Paul Gardner.

Book Review: *Yorkshire Methodism: Essays to Commemorate the Jubilee Year of the Wesley Historical Society (Yorkshire)* edited by Edward Royle, reviewed by Christopher Wakeling.

Book Review: *Whitchurch Methodists: the story so far* by Alison M. Deveson, reviewed by John Anderson.

Book Review: *The Chapels of Wales* by D. Huw Owen, reviewed by Chris Skidmore.

Newsletter 54, September 2013

Proceedings: Visit to Liverpool, 13 July 2013 by Stuart Leadley; Report of the 25th Annual General Meeting, by Sara Crofts; Personalia: Tim Grass, Jenny Freeman and Peter Ackers.

Article: The Countess of Huntingdon Chapel, Cradley, Herefordshire by J. Edward C. Peters.

Article: Brethren and their buildings by Tim Grass.

Book Review: *Building a great Victorian City: Leeds Architects and Architecture 1790–1914* edited by Christopher Webster, reviewed by David Quick.

Newsletter 55, January 2014

Proceedings: Visit to Mid-Somerset, 28 September 2013 by Ian Serjeant; Casework Notes by Michael Atkinson.

Article: Memorializing war in non-Anglican places of worship by Tim Grass.

Article: First find your barn: Instructions for holding Quaker meetings in temporary premises by Chris Skidmore.

Article: Some Chapels in New South Wales, from correspondence with Graham Johnson.

Book Review: *Hitting the buffers: Samuel Morton Peto, 1809–1889, railway builder extraordinaire* by Douglas C Sparkes, reviewed by Jenny Freeman.

Newsletter 56, May 2014

Christopher Fyson Stell (1929–2014): Christopher Stell and the 'Mutton Chops' Affair by Christopher Wakeling; Remembering Christopher by Richard Morris; The Origins of The Chapels Society by Roger Thorne; Other Recollections by Clyde Binfield and David Butler.

Article: Changes at Long Crendon Baptist Church by Sarah Rothwell.

Article: Chapel Notice Boards by Tim Grass

Proceedings: Membership matters by Paul Gardner.

Book Review: *The History of Welsh Calvinistic Methodism III* by John Gwynfor Jones, reviewed by Tim Grass.

Book Review: *Circle of Time: A history of Bethania Chapel, Waterloo, and an insight to the Welsh Calvinistic Methodists in North Liverpool and Southport (1879–2013)* by John P Lyons, reviewed by Christopher Wakeling.

Book Review: *Valley of a Hundred Chapels* by Amy Binns, reviewed by Peter Ackers.

Book Review: *Two Centuries of Baptists in Guernsey* by Tim Grass, reviewed by Paul Gardner.

Newsletter 57, September 2014

Proceedings: Andrew Worth (1962–2014) by Christopher Wakeling and Chris Skidmore [obituary]; Visit to Maidstone, 26 April 2014 by Stephen Page; Report of Annual General Meeting by Sara Crofts; Visits to Clerkenwell and Finsbury, 12 July 2014 by Roger Thorne and Tim Grass.

Article: Village Chapels connected with the Congregational Chapel in Malvern, Worcestershire by J. Edward C. Peters.

Article: George and Reginald Palmer Baines FFRIBA: an update by Stuart Leadley.

Book Review: *The Arts and Crafts Movement in the North East of England: A Handbook* by Barrie and Wendy Armstrong, reviewed by Michael Atkinson.

Book Review: *The Arts and Crafts Movement in Yorkshire: A Handbook* by Barrie and Wendy Armstrong, reviewed by D. A. Quick.

Newsletter 58, January 2015

Proceedings: Visit to Bowland and Pendle, 13 September 2014 by Delia Garratt; Conference on the Twentieth-Century Chapel, 8 November 2014 by Michael Atkinson; News from the Council – charges for non-members; Membership matters by Paul Gardner.

Casework: Notes by Michael Atkinson.

Book Review: *City Mission: the story of London's Welsh chapels* by Huw Edwards, reviewed by Chris Skidmore.

Newsletter 59, May 2015

Proceedings: Alan J Petford (1953–2015) by John A. Hargreaves [obituary]; Membership matters by Paul Gardner.

Article: Architecture and the Catholic Apostolic Church by Tim Grass.

Newsletter 60, September 2015

Proceedings: Visit to Edinburgh, 2–4 May 2015 by Ian Holland; Visit to Loughborough and Charnwood, 27 June 2015 by Roger Holden; Annual General meeting Report by Sara Crofts; The Society's Officers by Tim Grass.

Book Review: *Stained Glass in Welsh Churches* by Martin Crampin, reviewed by Sarah Brown.

CD Review: *Chapel! A celebration of the Bible Christians of Devon* by Roger Thorne and James Petherick, reviewed by Albert Taylor.

Newsletter 61, January 2016

Proceedings: Visit to Cleethorpes and Grimsby, 12 September 2015 by Edward Royle; Membership matters by Paul Gardner.

Article: The Bicentenary of the Bible Christians (1815–1907) by Roger Thorne.

Article: First Presbyterian Church, Newry by Angus McCormick.

Book Review: *A History of the Non-Conformist churches in Burnley, Volumes 1 and 2* by Stephen Child, reviewed by Roger Holden.

Newsletter 62, May 2016

Proceedings: Proposed changes to the Constitution; Membership matters; E. Alan Rose by Roger Thorne [obituary]; Alan P. F. Sell.

Article: The Quaker meeting House Heritage Survey by Neil Burton.

Book Review: *Fred Rowntree, Architect* by Peter Robson, reviewed by Christopher Wakeling.

Newsletter 63, September 2016

Proceedings: Visit to North Cumbria – from Carlisle to Cockermouth, 23 April 2016 by Roger Holden; Visit to Bloomsbury, 16 July 2016 by Stuart Leadley; Report of the twenty-eighth Annual General Meeting by Chris Skidmore.

Book Review: *Dictionary of Dublin Dissent: Dublin's Protestant Meeting Houses 1660–1920* by Steven C. Smyrl, reviewed by Roger Holden.

Book Review: *The Origins of Primitive Methodism* by Sandy Calder, reviewed by Kate Tiller.

Newsletter 64, January 2017

Proceedings: Visit to Leicester, 8 October 2016 by John Dearing; Conference hosted by the Association of Denominational Historical Societies and Cognate Libraries together with The Chapels Society, 16 & 17 September 2017: 'Nonconformist attitudes to war and peace in the long twentieth century' by Pauline Johns; Membership report.

Article: Architects of the Presbyterian Church of England by Christopher Buckwell

Article: A Tale of Two Chapels: One being saved and the other still in purgatory by John French [Barton-upon-Humber]

Article: The Organ of Abbey Lane URC, Saffron Walden by Stephen Rapkin

Article: Communities of Dissent: A new research project for family and community historians by Kate Tiller.

Book Review: *Mary Green, Bespoke Tailoress: Culture, Craft and Non-Conformity in an Industrial Textile Town of North West England, 1880–1920* by Mary Cunningham, reviewed by Moira Ackers.

Newsletter 65, May 2017

Proceedings: Proposed changes to the Constitution; Membership matters by Paul Gardner; Anthony J Earl MA, FRSA (1942–2016) by Clyde Binfield [obituary]; The Revd Dr Leonard Smith by John Midgley [obituary].

Article: The Baptist Chapel, Pershore, Worcestershire by J. Edward C. Peters.

Article: A prefabricated Meeting House in the Colonies by Frank Law.

Book Review: *The First Clapham Saints: A London Village 1600–1720* by Timothy Walker, reviewed by Chris Skidmore.

Newsletter 66, September 2017

Proceedings: Visit to West Yorkshire, 1 April 2017 by Nigel Lemon; Visit to Oxford with AGM, 8 July 2017 by Jenny Freeman.

Article: Foundation Stones by Rod Ambler.

Book Review: *Churches and Chapels of the South Downs National Park* by David Parsons and Robin Milner-Gulland, reviewed by Moira Ackers.

Newsletter 67, January 2018

Proceedings: Visit to Bristol and Kingswood, 28 October 2017 by Moira Ackers; Membership matters by Paul Gardner.

Article: The places of worship of the British Orthodox Church by Abba Seraphim.

Article: East Yorkshire Chapel has an uncertain future [Ellerton Methodist Chapel] by Chris Copley and Chris Skidmore.

Book Review: *Victorian Staffordshire Pottery Religious Figures: Stories on the Mantelpiece* by Stephen Duckworth, reviewed by Donald Ryan.

Book Review: *Chapels of England: Buildings of Protestant Nonconformity* by Christopher Wakeling, reviewed by Jenny Freeman.

Newsletter 68, May 2018

Article: Arthur Keen in Cricklewood: The 'Arts & Crafts' Baptist by Alec Hamilton.

Article: The Catholic Apostolic Church, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire by J. Edward C. Peters.

Article: 'Go and make disciples of all Nations' by John Ellis.

Proceedings: Membership News by Stuart Leadley.

Book Review: *Edward Jeffries – Healing Evangelist. His Story, Movement and Legacy* by David Watts with Geoffrey Green and Robert Mountford, reviewed by Peter Ackers.

Newsletter 69, September 2018

Article: The Chapels Society: Looking back and looking forward by Tim Grass.

Proceedings: Visit to Bournville, 21 April 2018 by Paul Griffiths; Strangers' Churches in the East End, 7 July 2018 by Martin Wellings; Report of the 30th Annual General Meeting by Moira Ackers; Membership Update by Stuart Leadley; Data Protection by Stuart Leadley.

Newsletter 70, January 2019

Proceedings: Visit to Horsham, 21 April 2018 [22 September 2018] by Christine Denman [Denwood] and Michael Mackintosh; Membership update by Stuart Leadley.

Article: The Chapel, Wellington, Herefordshire by J. Edward C. Peters.

Book Review: *The British Mosque, an Architectural and Social History* by Shahed Saleem, reviewed by Christopher Wakeling.

Book Review: *100 Years of Scottish Churches*, in six volumes by John R. Hume, reviewed by Roger Holden.

Newsletter 71, May 2019

Proceedings: David Merton Butler by Chris Skidmore [obituary]. Membership report by Stuart Leadley.

Article: Nonconformity in Victorian London by Bill Jacob.

Book Review: *A Life of Purpose: A Biography of John Sulman* by Zeny Edwards, reviewed by Christopher Wakeling.

Newsletter 72, September 2019

Proceedings: Visit to Wakefield, 18 May 2019 by John Ellis; Visit to Stoke-on-Trent and Englesea Brook, 6 July 2019 by Stuart Leadley; Proceedings of the 31st Annual General Meeting; Personalalia; Membership report by Stuart Leadley.

Article: Malva Old Chapel by John Ellis.

Book Review: *Welsh Nonconformity: Historic Chapel Life in Pictures*, reviewed by Roger Holden.

Book Review: *A Welsh Baptist Trail: A Journey of Discovery around some of the Baptist Chapels of the County of Bridgend*, reviewed by Roger Holden.

Book Review: *100 Churches 100 Years* edited by Susannah Charlton, Elaine Harwood and Clare Price, reviewed by Stuart Leadley.

Newsletter 73, January 2020

Proceedings: Visit to Norwich and the Waveney Valley, 28 September 2019 by Roger Holden; Tony Cross (1932–2019) [obituary].

Article: Nonconformist Chapels as local 'Worlds of Labour': religious heritage, social history and cultural Christianity by Peter Ackers.

Book Review: *Thomas Rickman and the Victorians* edited by Megan Aldrich and Alexandrina Buchanan, reviewed by Stuart Leadley

Book Review: *Westgate Chapel, Wakefield* by Paul Lindsay Dawson, reviewed by Stuart Leadley.

Newsletter 74, May 2020

Proceedings: Covid-19 and the Chapels Society; Remaindered Books; Tony Cross (1932–2019) by Rosemary Arthur [obituary]; Membership Report by Stuart Leadley.

Article: The Meeting Room, Banks Street, Malvern, Worcs by Edward Peters.

Article: The Deciphering of Leek Friends Meeting House by Chris Skidmore.

Book Review: *Places of Worship in Britain and Ireland, 1550–1689* edited by P.S. Barnwell and Trevor Cooper, reviewed by Stuart Leadley.

Book Review: *Mary Hardy and her World 1773–1809: Three Spiritual and Social Forces* by Margaret Bird, reviewed by Bill Jacob.

Newsletter 75, September 2020

Proceedings: Chapels Society AGM; Chapels Society Activities; Amanda Arrowsmith (1947–2020) by Chris Skidmore [obituary]; Membership Report by Stuart Leadley; Historic Chapels Trust (HCT) – the way ahead by Chris Smith.

Article: The Countess of Huntingdon / Free Church Chapels, Malvern Link by J. Edward C. Peters.

Article: Bath Street Chapel, Huddersfield by Edward Royle.

Book Review: *Arts and Crafts Churches of Great Britain: Architects, Craftsmen and Patrons* by Roger Button, reviewed by Gerard Charmley.

Book Review: *Arts & Crafts Churches* by Alec Hamilton, reviewed by Gerard Charmley.

Newsletter 76, January 2021

Proceedings: Chapels Society AGM by Martin Wellings; The impact of an editor, Joy Rowe, FSA (1926–2020) by Clyde Binfield [obituary]; Antony Rossi, CBE (1932–2020) by Jenny Freeman [obituary]; Are you a Creative Chapel Lover?; Historic Chapels Trust.

Article: Sketch of a Journey: Part one by Gill Fitzpatrick.

Article: Some Twenty-first-century churches on the Isle of Wight by Matt Davis.

Newsletter 77, May 2021

Proceedings: Communicating with Members by Email; Jean West (1943–2021) by Chris Skidmore [obituary]. Annual General Meeting; Conference; Personalia.

Article: Sketch of a Journey: Part two by Gill Fitzpatrick.

Article: The Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, The Homend, Ledbury, Hertfordshire by J. Edward C. Peters.

Article: Ebenezer Strict & Particular Baptist Chapel, Headingley by Gerard Charmley.

Book Review: *Protestant Pluralism: The Reception of the Toleration Act 1689–1720* by Ralph Stevens, reviewed by Bill Jacob.

Newsletter 78, September 2021

Proceedings: Chapels Society AGM by Martin Wellings; Communicating with Members by Email; Personalia.

Article: An Architectural and Historical Tour of Burgess Hill's Places of Worship by Matt Davis.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: 'Cornerstone the Church', Walton-on-Thames, Surrey by Matt Davis.

Newsletter 79, January 2022

Proceedings: Visit to Sale and Altrincham, 25 September 2021 by Stuart Leadley; New Email Address for Casework Officer; Membership Report by Stuart Leadley; Roger Thorne (1940–2021) by Chris Skidmore [obituary].

Article: Catholic Consolidation in Widnes by Matt Davis.

Article: Were John and Charles Wesley at George Hastings' Funeral? by Ian Scruton.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: Pubs as Places of Worship by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *Quakers and their Meeting Houses* by Chris Skidmore, reviewed by Stuart Leadley.

Book Review: *Brethren and their Buildings* by Tim Grass, reviewed by Matt Davis.

Newsletter 80, May 2022

Proceedings: 'Communities of Dissent' Conference, Oxford, 30 April 2022 by Matt Davis; Membership Report by Stuart Leadley.

Article: Whitestone Baptist Church, Withington, Herefordshire by J. Edward C. Peters.

Article: Baptists and Baptisms at Thurlstone by Gerard Charmley.

Article: The United Reformed Church at Fifty (Part One) by Michael Hopkins (including a selection of post-1972 URC chapels by Matt Davis).

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: Emmanuel Free Church, Normandy, Surrey by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *Places of Worship in Britain and Ireland 1689–1829* edited by P. S. Barnwell and Mark Smith, reviewed by Gerard Charmley.

Book Review: *Sent from Reading: Reading's Part in Overseas Missions 1790–1950* by John Dearing, reviewed by Bill Jacob.

Book Notices: *Wiltshire Nonconformist Chapels and Meeting Houses* by James Holden; *Late-Georgian Churches* by Christopher Webster.

Newsletter 81, August 2022

Proceedings: Visit to Congleton and South-East Cheshire, 21 May 2022 by Roger Holden.

Article: Resources relating to Methodist Chapels and their Communities by Philip Thornborow.

Article: The United Reformed Church in South Leeds, Nesfield Road, Belle Isle by Gerard Charmley.

Article: Behind the Tonbridge Dates by John Ellis.

Article: Trinity Church, Mill Hill by Martin Wellings.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: 'The Old Exchange', Farnham, Surrey by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *Wiltshire Nonconformist Chapels and Meeting Houses* by James Holden, reviewed by John Anderson.

Book Notices: *Places of Worship in Britain and Ireland 1829–1929* edited by P. S. Barnwell and Mark Smith.

Newsletter 82, November 2022

Proceedings: Annual General Meeting report by Martin Wellings; Visit to West London, 2 July 2022 by Gerard Charmley.

Article: The United Reformed Church at Fifty (Part Two) by Michael Hopkins.

Article: Open Day at Capel Caebach by Roger Holden.

Article: A Century of Fellowship: the F.I.E.C. at 100 by Matt Davis.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: Two Strict Baptist Chapels converted from Telephone Premises by Gerard Charmley.

Lost Chapels: Driffield Methodist Church (1880–2018) by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *Late-Georgian Churches: Anglican architecture, patronage and churchgoing in England 1790–1840* by Christopher Webster, reviewed by Edward Royle.

Newsletter 83, February 2023

Proceedings: Visit to Brighton, 15 October 2022 by Gerard Charmley.

Article: Thirty Minutes in Alston by Matt Davis.

Article: A 'Backstreet Bethel' Finds a New Use by Matt Davis.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: Chapel of the Holy Trinity, Hollingdean, Brighton by Matt Davis.

Lost Chapels: St Thomas of Canterbury Church, Whyteleafe (1961–2016) by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *Places of Worship in Britain and Ireland 1829–1929* edited by P. S. Barnwell and Mark Smith, reviewed by Bill Jacob.

Newsletter 84, May 2023

Article: 'Faith, Force and Fibre' – and the Fittleworth Forge by Matt Davis.

Article: Kirkland Strict Baptist Chapel by Gerard Charmley.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: Church of Our Lady, Help of Christians, Portsmouth by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Church of the Sacred Heart, Sedbury.

Lost Chapels: Clegg's Lane Methodist Church, Little Hulton, Greater Manchester (1878–2020) by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *English Victorian Churches: Architecture, Faith and Revival* by James Stevens Curl, reviewed by Edward Royle.

Newsletter 85, August 2023

Proceedings: Annual General Meeting report by Martin Wellings; Membership Report by Stuart Leadley; Visit to Banbury and environs, 29 April 2023 by Jim McCallum.

Article: A Look at the Iglesia ni Cristo by Matt Davis.

Article: Rebuilding Hope: The Building of Bethel Evangelical Free Church, Hanley by Gervase Charmley.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: St Dunstan's Church, West Hoathly, West Sussex by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Freshwater United Reformed Church, Isle of Wight; New Invention Methodist Church, Willenhall, West Midlands; Stowlawn Methodist Church, Bilston, West Midlands; St George's Methodist Church, St George's, Oakengates, Shropshire.

Lost Chapels: Zion Chapel, Siddal, West Yorkshire (1859–1966) by Gerard Charmley.

Newsletter 86, November 2023

Proceedings: Membership Report by Stuart Leadley; Visit to Batley and Dewsbury, 8 July 2023 by Gervase Charmley.

Article: From Sacred to Secular to Sacred ... a Double Bill by Matt Davis.

Article: Moden Hill Baptist Chapel, Sedgley by Gerard Charmley.

Article: From Mount Pisgah to Gurdwara Sri Guru Nanak by D. Colin Dews.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: King's Christian Centre, Bishop's Waltham, Hampshire by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Bransgore Methodist Church, Hampshire; Drayton Parslow Baptist Chapel, Buckinghamshire.

Lost Chapels: Zoar Chapel, Reading, Berkshire (1869–2016) by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *Methodism in Victorian Oxford: The Oxford Wesleyan Local Preachers' Book 1830–1902* edited by Martin Wellings, reviewed by Bill Jacob.

Newsletter 87, February 2024

Proceedings: Visit to Salisbury, 7 October 2023 by Gerard Charmley; Membership Report by Stuart Leadley; Christopher Wakeling (1948–2023) by Clyde Binfield [obituary]; Chapel Donations on Visits by John Ellis.

Article: Reconnecting with contemporary Christian faith: bringing the Chapels Society into the twenty-first century by Peter Ackers.

Article: A closer look at twenty-first century trends ... and some challenges by Matt Davis.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: Elim Church, Bootle by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Rothwell United Reformed Church, Northamptonshire; Paulerspury Chapel, Northamptonshire; Ermine United Reformed Church, Ermine Estate, Lincoln, Lincolnshire; Hastings Tabernacle, East Sussex.

Book Notices: *Places of Worship in Britain and Ireland 1929–1990* edited by P. S. Barnwell and Allan Doig.

Newsletter 88, May 2024

Proceedings: A Celebration of the Life and Work of Christopher Wakeling.

Article: The Story of ‘The Allen’ by Matt Davis.

Article: Faith Group Focus: The Vineyard Movement by Matt Davis.

Article: Shaw Street Strict Baptist Chapel, Liverpool by Gerard Charmley.

Desecularisation Digest: Beech Hill Church, Otley by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Friary United Reformed Church, West Bridgford, Nottinghamshire; Sutton-in-Ashfield United Reformed Church, Nottinghamshire; Anstey United Reformed Church, Leicestershire; Salem Church of the Nazarene, Gillingham, Kent; Buckley Street Methodist Free Church, Warrington, Cheshire; Lawrence Lane Methodist Church, Old Hill, West Midlands; Longham United Reformed Church, Dorset.

Lost Chapels: New Life Church, Durrington, West Sussex (1939–2022) by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *Holy Houses: Places of Worship in Twentieth-Century Britain and Ireland* by Elain Harwood and Alan Powers, reviewed by Stuart Leadley.

Newsletter 89, August 2024

Proceedings: Annual General Meeting report by Martin Wellings; Membership Report by Stuart Leadley; Visit to the Wirral, 27 April 2024 by Matt Davis.

Article: United Reformed Church closures by Michael Hopkins (with additional notes by Matt Davis).

Article: Faith Group Focus: The Celestial Church of Christ by Matt Davis.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: Igreja Evangélica Luso-Brasileira, Bournemouth by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Wisbech United Reformed Church, Cambridgeshire; Fowlmere United Reformed Church, Cambridgeshire; Bourne United Reformed Church, Lincolnshire; Rowley Street Methodist Church, Stafford, Staffordshire.

Lost Chapels: Primitive Methodist Mission Room, Horsham, West Sussex (1885–2018) by Matt Davis.

Newsletter 90, November 2024

Proceedings: Conference: 'Competing Churches and Chapels, 1829–1939', London, 28 September 2024 by Matt Davis; Membership Report by Stuart Leadley; Kate Tiller (1949–2024) by Bill Jacob [obituary]; Visit to London, 29 June 2024 by Stuart Leadley.

Article: First Church of Christ, Scientist, Derby by Matt Davis.

Article: Ebenezer Strict Baptist Chapel, Shelley, Yorkshire by Gerard Charmley.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: St John's Coptic Orthodox Church, Elmers End by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Cranfield Methodist Church, Bedfordshire; Wilstead Methodist Church, Bedfordshire; New Road Church, Tuebrook, Merseyside; Friends Meeting House, Purley, Greater London; Epping Methodist Church, Essex.

Book Notices: *Places of Worship in Britain and Ireland 1990–2021* edited by P. S. Barnwell.

Book Review: *Places of Worship in Britain and Ireland 1929–1990* edited by P. S. Barnwell and Allan Doig, reviewed by Bill Jacob.

Newsletter 91, February 2025

Proceedings: Visit to Barnsley, 12 October 2024 by Stuart Leadley.

Article: Cross-Denominational Collaboration in Eastbourne by Matt Davis.

Article: Ebenezer Chapel, Sabden by Gerard Charmley.

Desecularisation Digest: Places of Worship in Railway Premises by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Wanstead Methodist Church, Greater London; Salvation Army Citadel, Ware, Hertfordshire; Soundwell Spiritualist National Church, Gloucestershire.

Lost Chapels: Sandown United Reformed Church, Isle of Wight (1872–2020) by Matt Davis.

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Article: Bethel Chapel, Sevenoaks by Matt Davis.

Article: The Strict Baptist Chapel at Southery by Gerard Charmley.

Article: Two Recent Conversions of United Reformed churches to Kingdom Halls by Matt Davis.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: Bransgore Community Church, Hampshire by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Appledore Methodist Church, Kent; East Boldre Baptist Church, Hampshire; St Joseph's Church, Green Hammerton, North Yorkshire, Fordingbridge Methodist Church, Hampshire; Winterslow Methodist Church, Wiltshire; North Chingford Methodist Church, Greater London.

Lost Chapels: Coundon Methodist Church, Coventry (1952–2018) by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *A Brixton Chapel: Gathered to a Quiet Independence. The History of Trinity Chapel, Brixton – a Congregational Church* by Alan Argent, reviewed by Bill Jacob.

Newsletter 93, August 2025

Proceedings: Annual General Meeting report by Martin Wellings; Membership Report by Stuart Leadley; Visit to Hastings, 10 May 2025 by Owen Sharp.

Article: The Concrete Wonder of Wombwell by Matt Davis.

Article: Faith Group Focus: The Redeemed Christian Church of God by Matt Davis.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: Frontline Church, Wavertree by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Hurst Green Methodist Church, Surrey; Capel Maengwyn, Machynlleth, Powys; St Paul's United Reformed Church, Liss, Hampshire.

Lost Chapels: St Andrew's Road Chapel, Bordesley, Birmingham (1902–2014) by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *Evangelicalism: A Very Short Introduction* by John G. Stackhouse Jr., reviewed by David J.M. Leyshon.

Book Review: *The Ebenezer Project: The Nonconformist Chapels and Meeting Houses of North East England* (3 volumes) by Peter F. Ryder, reviewed by Winifred Stokes.

Newsletter 94, November 2025

Proceedings: Visit to Grantham, 5 July 2025 by Matt Davis; Membership Report by Stuart Leadley.

Article: Church, Chapel, Meeting House: What's in a Name? by Roger Holden.

Article: The Railway Missions of Birmingham by Matt Davis.

Desecularisation Digest: Redeemed Christian Church of God Holy Ghost Zone, Coventry by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Long Melford United Reformed Church, Suffolk; Wickhambrook United Reformed Church, Suffolk; Longport Methodist Church, Staffordshire; Central Methodist Church, Tamworth, Staffordshire; Banbury and District Spiritualist Church, Bloxham, Oxfordshire.

Lost Chapels: Parkside Spiritualist Church, Coventry (1935–2018) by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *From Pigeon Flying to Intellectual Liberty: The History of Pepper Hill Unitarian Chapel in Shelf, West Yorkshire* by Ben Stables, reviewed by David J.M. Leyshon.

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Proceedings: Visit to Saffron Walden, 11 October 2025 by Stuart Leadley.

Book Notices: *War, Peace and the British Free Churches, 1914–1945* edited by Andrew Chandler and David Ceri Jones; Proceedings of *Competing Churches and Chapels 1829–1939* Conference.

Article: Maypole Methodist Church by Matt Davis.

Article: Milton Church, Huddersfield by Matt Davis.

Desecularisation Digest: The Plaza Centre, Southend-on-Sea by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Kingdom Hall, Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire; Sackville Road Methodist Church, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex; Rye Methodist Church, East Sussex; Witley Gospel Hall, Surrey; Wroughton Methodist Church, Wiltshire; Woodborough Baptist Church, Nottinghamshire; Cowes Methodist Church, Isle of Wight.

Book Review: *Places of Worship in Britain and Ireland 1990–2021* edited by P. S. Barnwell, reviewed by Matt Davis.

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Proceedings: Winter 2026/27 online lecture series by Peter Ackers.

Article: Faith Group Focus: New Testament Church of God by Matt Davis.

Article: Three Churches in Kingswinford by Matt Davis.

Desecularisation Digest: New Hope Baptist Church, Eastbourne by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Heaton Methodist Church, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; Sage Cross Methodist Church, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire; Lytchett Matravers Methodist Church, Dorset.

Lost Chapels: Church of the English Martyrs, Thaxted, Essex (1952–2025) by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *A Little Light: Walsingham's Methodist History* by Norma Virgoe, reviewed by Bill Jacob; *Happy Band of Pilgrims: A History of Methodism in Wighton* by Norma Virgoe, reviewed by Bill Jacob.

Newsletter 97, August 2026

Proceedings: Codes and I.D. numbers in Newsletter; Visit to Royal Leamington Spa, 25 April 2026, by Matt Davis.

Article: The Christian Science Churches of Birmingham by Matt Davis.

Listed Buildings Update: National Heritage List for England: newly listed places of worship.

Desecularisation Digest: Citygate Church, Beckenham by Matt Davis.

Chapel Closures: Sarisbury Green United Reformed Church, Hampshire; Methodist Chapel, Hawkesbury Upton, Gloucestershire; Castle Hill Chapel, Northampton, Northamptonshire.

Lost Chapels: Church of Our Lady of the Rosary, Sidley, East Sussex (1954–2026) by Matt Davis.

Book Review: *Dr Williams's Library Trust and Library: A History* by Alan Argent, reviewed by Bill Jacob.