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New Road Methodist Church, South Chingford: minutes, accounts and correspondence

The church dates back to 1926, when the Wesleyan Methodist Connexion secured a site (formerly part of Normanshire Farm) in South Chingford. During 1929 discussions took place with the United Methodist, Primitive Methodist and Wesleyan Methodist Churches, as a result of which the South Chingford Church became the focus of the union scheme. The three churches were joined nationally by Act of Parliament in 1929. For a full history of the church and the Circuit, see 'The Methodist Church, South Chingford, Golden Jubilee 1931 - 1981'.

The records listed here were deposited in three stages. Accession nos 5283 - 5294 were accessioned in June 1980, 7016 in May 1981, and 8018 was deposited in December 1981. Numbers of this list are therefore those on document and do not follow numercial order in this list

New Road Methodist Church: minutes

11.	Trustees minutes. 1 vol	1926 - 1938	5293
10.	Trust Leaders and Finance joint meeting and AGM minutes. 1 vol At back of volume are Leader's minutes 1932 - 1937.	1933 - 1938	5292
1	Finance & Ways & Means Committee, minutes 1 vol.	1935 - 1940	5283
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New Road Methodist Church: accounts and correspondence

8	Accounts. 1 vol		1927 - 1955	5290
9	School chapel account. Concerns building and equipment. 1 v	01.	1927 - 1933	5291
12	Expenditure account. 1 vol		1941 - 1956	5284
3	Receipts. 1 vol		1948 - 1960	5285
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5.	Correspondence file		November 1923 - August 1934	528 7
6.	Correspondence file		January 1934 - April 1937	5288
12	Correspondence concerning building a renovation work. 1 bundle of 11 it	ems.	1934 - 1935	5294

New Road Methodist Church and Walthamstow and Chingford Circuit

These records were deposited in December 1981, after competition of the Jubilee booklet. They have been listed as received, with the exception that the Newsletter of the Church has been removed from one bundle and is catalogued in the book /pamphlet sequence. * Except MT 1.

√MT 1.	Walthamstow and Chingford Circuit	1972 - 1977		7016
+	Manse Trust. Minutes.			
35 B	Includes minutes of Chingford Christian			
	Youth Council, 1942 - 1943. Secretary			
	was Arthur Chapman, the depositor on		12	
	behalf of the Circuit. 1 vol.			

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Files etc deposited December 1981. Acc MT 2 File containing plan of proposed forecourt walls 1933 - c 1964 8018/1 for South Chingford Hethodist Church by G.M. Page & Sons (n.d. pl.sec. elev; tracing and paper copy); correspondence, 1933 - c 1964 (includes building estimates and correspondence); tenancy agreement between the Trustees of the South Chingford Hethodist Church and the Esser County Council dated 24 May 1951 concerning a room at the rear of the Church Hall; and draft notes for the 25th anniversary of the church in 1956 MT 3 8018/ 2 Bundle containing vouchers and account for old people's c 1948 - 1980 outing to Southend, 1952; rough notes of special circuit committee, 1960; typescript report on the Blackhorse Road Methodist Mutual Loan Society (c 1948), correspondence 1968 - 69 and 1980; and plans and quarterly plans (preachers etc) for the following circuits: Wanstead and Woodford, Torquay and laignton and Jersey. Bundle also contains anniversary booklets etc for East Ham (1954), East Ham M.ssion (1925' and 1954); an analysis of the property of the Clapton Circuit (included Leyton, Walthamstow and Chingford) 1880 -1931 and various guidences for treasurers. Loose baptism certificate for John Charles Woodward 1932. J_{MT4} 1958 - 1967 8018/ 3 Blackhorse Road Methodist Church, Walthamstow: bundle of correspondence concerning repairs to the church, and Trustees' accounts, including bank book. c 1934 - 1980 8018/ 4 Bundle formerly containg copies of the Newsletter (for which see below) and ephemera produced by the Blackhorse Road, South Chingford and Wivenhoe churches. Also Chingford Circuit plan 1967 and Walthamstow and Chingford Circuit plan 1980 MT 6 1948 - c 1980 8018/5 Bundle containing Chingford Circuit (later Walthamstow and Chingford) quarterly plans, 1957, 1960, 1961, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1973 - 75, 1979 - 80 (incomplete), programmes of New Road Church events, 1948 - c 1968; Nonthly Newsletter, Nos 1 -2, 4 & 7, 1951; Wesley Guild, South Chingford, syllabus 1957 - 58 and 1958 - 59 ticket for a show held at the church, 1957 and 'Twelve Days of Christmas by Harold B. Chapman (pub 1965). $\sqrt{_{\rm MT~7}}$ 1935 - 1981 8018/6 Bundle labelled 'More Church history'. Contains programmes of events, including a copy of the programme of the opening service, 4 April 1935 and an invitation to a 'mock wedding reception' (1955); the souvenir programme of the dedication of the organ (18 June 1949), agenda of the London

N.E.district, 1940 and directory 1960 - 61; copy of Methodist Recorder, 5 November 1981 with article on the Golden Jubilee of New Road Church; and photographs of ministers, groups, events and the building.

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Files etc deposited December 1981 (cont'd)

MT 8 Jubilee Celebrations: bundle containing the minutes of the Steering Committee for the 50th anniversary celebrations, November 1979 - September 1981 (loose typescript), correspondence, Jubilee tea guest list, October 1981, and a list of members of the church, with indication of group membership (nd).

HT 9 Photocopy of notes and draft 'History of Chingford, 1931 - 1981' by A.T.Chapman.

Conditions of deposit: Permanent loan.

Depositor: Mr A.T.Chapman, 17 Eglinton Road E 4

(On behalf of the Church).

Note:

This condition was attached specifically only to the NT material, but has now been extended to cover all records in this list

DLM September 1982.

Supplement to List

Also deposited at the same time as the above were the following copies of the New Road /South Chingford Nethodist Church Newsletter: 1969 (2 copies), 1967 (1 copy), 1970 (1 copy), 1974 (1 copy), 1979 (3 copies, two of same issue), 1980 (6 copies, 2 of which are duplicates) and 1981 (1 copy). 8018/8

These have been included in the pamphlet sequence.

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LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT VESTRY HOUSE MUSEUM VESTRY ROAD, E17 9NH

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RECORDS OF HIGH STREET METHODIST CHURCH. WALTHAMSTOW

Deposited by : Mr. Greenhalf, on behalf of Church Trustees

Date of deposit : 25 August 1985 Condition : permanent loan

Thomas Jackson was sent to Walthamstow by the Home Missionary Society in 1876. He rented the former Congregationalist New Meeting House (Built 1787 see W 85.212), in Marsh Street and began also to hold open air meetings. The chapel was purchased in 1899 and extensively altered in 1902. It was sold for redevelopment in 1973, the burial ground at the rear becoming the property of the Borough Council.

A mission was sent to Gloucester Road, Higham Hill, in 1879 and a Sunday School Chapel built there. Subsequently, open-air missions were sent to Wadham Road and Hawthorne Road, Chapel End and a chapel opened at Hawthorne Road in 1882, this becoming St.Luke's (Anglican) Parish Church Hall in 1924. A chapel was also built at Wadham Road in 1923, but by 1938 the Mission had closed. The Gloucester Road buildings were demolished in 1972, the projected church never having been built.

Registers of High Street Church, 1907 - 1971 are held at Essex Record Office (D/NM9/35/1-2), as are records of Gloucester Road Mission, 1958 - 1970 (D/NM9/38).

Trustees' meetings

M1.

March 1899 - Dec. 1904

(1 volume)

Title deeds and premises records

Quarterly meeting minute book

TD 1 & 2

4/5 Jan. 1787

1. William Couldery, Walthamstow, esq.

2. Thomas Jefferson esq., Joel Johnson, esq., James Davidson, esq., James Lewis Desormeaux, gent., William Parker, esq., all of Walthamstow, James Collins, Devonshire Street, Bishopsgate Street, London, gent., John Gibson, Whitechapel, Mddx., surgeon, William Wood White, Leaden Hall Street, London, hosier, William Bourne, Sparrow Corner, Rosemary Lane, London, gent., and Charles Edwards, Epping Forest, esq.

Records of High Street Methodist Church, Walthamstow cont'd

Title deeds and premises records cont'd.

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TD 1 & 2 LEASE AND RELEASE by 1. to J.L.D. of a piece of land of 1r.3p. (boundary measurements given), on S. side of MARSH STREET, WALTHAMSTOW, adjoining land of William Miles, esq., occupied by William Lilly to S., land and buildings of Joana Coap, occupied by George Turner to E., and land of 1. to W., with a MEETING HOUSE now being erected there on, to use of 1. and 2. in trust to be built as specified by Edward Wells, builder, and when completed to allow celebration of divine worship, distribute pews and to permit site to be used as burial ground, agreement that premises are to use of 1. if use as meeting house be legally prohibited or if unused for religious worship for over 2 years, declaration of trust as to use of seat rents for repair of premises and payment of stipend to minister who shall have good moral deportment and publicly profess faith in the Assembly'd Catechism on the anniversary of the opening of the meeting house when a sermon shall be preached, the ordinance of baptism and the Lord's Supper to be administered according to the form of Congregational Protestants, agreement that a majority of trustees may elect a dissenting minister who may be dismissed under specified conditions viz if 6 communicants or annual subscribers of over £2.2s. to the Society summon a meeting of members at which over 2/3 vote for removal, agreement that if the number of trustees is reduced to 7 or less, new trustees shall be nominated to total no more than 11. Consideration : 10s.

Marginal sketch PLAN of site, no scale (27 cms x 10 cms)

Endorsement of enrolment in Chancery 16.4.1787

(parchment, 4 membranes).

TD3

9 May 1899

- Revd.Charles Wickham, No. 19 The Drive, Walthamstow, Congregational Minister, William Clarke Ellison, 1. Minister, Springfield, Walthamstow, tea merchant, John Frederick Bate, No. 12, Westminster Road, Birchfields, Birmingham, Warks, esq., and 10 others.
- 2. Villiam Tyler, Palmerston Road House, agent, Henry Child, 59 Woodville Road, Warehouseman, John Morton, Woodville Road, telescope maker, all Walthamstow, and 20 other trustees for the Primitive Methodist Connection.

CONVEYANCE of a piece of land on S. side of MARSH STREET, WALTHAMSTOW with former CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL thereon as specified in D 1 & 2, the burial ground excepted with right of access to execute repairs to premises to use of (2) upon trusts specified in settlement of 4.3.1864 for ground and Primitive Methodist chapel at Valworth, Surrey.

Consideration : £1,400

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Records of High Street Methodist Church, Walthamstow cont'd

Deeds cont'd

TD4

Charity Commission order, sealed 19 July 1898, for removal and appointment of trustees of meeting houses, British School and land abutting on the north side of the Congregational Church, High Street, Walthamstow, 3 copies, annotations. re D 1 & 2.

(paper, 3 booklets, printed).

13 Nov. 1899

1. William Tyler, Henry Child, John Morton and 20 others.

 William Glover, 18 Richmond Road, Putney, Surrey, provision merchant and Tom Roberts, 191 Castleneau Road, Barnes, Surrey, commercial traveller.

MQRTGAGE OF PRIMITIVE METHODIST CHAPEL, HIGH STREET, WALTHAMSTOW for £750 plus interest at 4%% from 1.9.1899 to 25.3.1900, usual covenants.

Endorsed : 23 Oct.1902

RECONVEYANCE of premises.

(parchment, 2 membranes, filed).

2 April, 1900

- Alicia Maude Potter, 5 Lichfield Grove, Church End, Finchley, Mddx. spinster.
- William Tyler, Henry Child, John Morton and 20 other trustees.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT as to interference to light to windows of shop at No.106 High Street by (2) building a shop and school on W.side.

Consideration : £25

(paper, 1 booklet)

Plan attached, scale 1:96 (20 x 46 cms, waxed linen, coloured).

TD5

TD6

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Records of High Street Methodist Church, Walthamstow cont'd

Title deeds cont'd

TD7

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30 April 1902

- Rev.Frederick William Atkin, 56 Elmsdale Road, minister of Primitive Methodist chapel, William Tyler, Westwood House, Palmerston Road, estate agent, and Henry Strong Berry, 124 Northcote Road, all Walthamstow (on behalf of trustees of Chapel).

1.

2. Edith Bennett, High Street, Walthamstow, widow.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT as to building of new wall dividing respective premises in High Street.

(paper, 1 booklet)

PLAN attached, scale 1:48 (31 x 28 cms, waxed linen, coloured)

24 Oct. 1902

TD8

 William Tyler, Henry Child, John Morton and 20 other trustees.

 The Pearl Life Assurance Company, Adelaide Buildings, London Bridge, London.

MORTGAGE of premises specified in D3 for £1,800 plus interest at 4%, usual covenants. Recites previous deeds.

Endorsed : 22 Jan 1914.

RECONVEYANCE of premises.

(parchment, 2 membranes filed)

7 Oct 1926

- 1. William Tyler, Henry Child, John Morton and 20 others.
- Joseph Springley Taylor, 92 Edinburgh Road, signalman, Frederick Pearce, 56 Belgravia Road, warehouseman, Harold Theodore Gladstone Beecher Caukwell, 25 Lyndhurst Road, retired schoolmaster and 13 others.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW TRUSTEES of Primitive Methodist Chapel and Schools, High Street.

(parchment, printed form)

TD9

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Records of High Street Methodist Church, Walthamstow cont'd.

Title deeds cont'd.

TD10

25 Oct. 1927

- Rev.Charles Wickham, William Clarke Ellison of 157 Stamford Hill, N.16, Alfred Martin of 23 Salisbury Road, Walthamstow and 3 others, trustees of Walthamstow High Street Congregational Church.
- Joseph Springley Taylor, Frederick Pearce, Harold Theodore Gladstone Beecher Caukwell and 15 others, trustees, of the Primitive Methodist Chapel.

LEASE of rights concerning disused burial ground for extension of first floor of chapel.

Annual rent : 10s.

(parchment, 2 membranes)

TD11

20 Dec. 1923

Duplicate CONSENT of T.B.Caukwell, minister for trustees re underground pipe for Post office telegraphs in front of chapel.

(paper, printed form)

TD12

13 March 1928

Letter from Henry J.Stevens agreeing to move of wall on E.side of school yard re Sunday School extension.

(paper)

TD13

1 Aug. 1951

Direction under Section 85(5) of Town & Country Planning Act 1947 with related correspondence 1951-52 and plan, scale 1:480.

(3 papers, 1 file)

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TD14

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Records of High Street Methodist Church, Walthamstow cont'd

<u>Title deeds</u> cont'd

2 Oct. 1962

 Joseph Springley Taylor, Henry Christian Silverthorne, Beaumont Villa, Beaumont Road, Hoddesdon, Herts, cashier, Alec Villiam Brenchley Greenhalf, 9 Chapel End House, Chingford Road, Walthamstow, draughtsman, and 13 other Trustees of Walthamstow High Street Methodist Church.

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Redifusion (Redihire) Ltd., Carlton House, Lower Regent Street, Westminster, London.

Duplicate GRANT OF RIGHT for 60 years re electrical attachments to E.wall of church adjoining No. 160a, High Street.

Duplicate PLAN attached, scale 1:48 and block plan, scale 1:1250 and related correspondence.

(paper, 1 booklet, 1 file)

TD15

5 Oct. 1962

MEMORANDUM OF APPOINTMENT of new trustees of Walthamstow High Street Methodist Church.

(parchment)

TD16

4 Feb. 1965

 Joseph Springley Taylor, Henry Christian Silverthorne, William Brenchley Greenhalf and 19 other trustees of Walthamstow High Street Methodist Church.

2. Henry Arthur Bullock, 9 Forest Drive, Woodford Green, Essex.

Counterpart LICENCE re electricity wiring, 160 High Street.

Recites lease of 160 High Street to Garnham & Sons, (London) Ltd., dated 4.12.1965.

(paper)

Records of High Street Methodist Church, Walthamstow cont'd.

Title deeds cont'd.

TD17

17 Aug. 1967

- Bruce Geoffrey Yelland, 45 Hollywood Way, Woodford Green, William Leonard Smith and Hilary Gordon Powell both 23 Penrhyn Avenue, Walthamstow 3 of the Trustees of Walthamstow High Street Methodist Church appointeed by resolution of 10.3.1967.
- Norman Harry Arthur Stevens, Green Pastures, Harlow Road and Paul Samuel Brandon, Applegarth, Old House Lane, both Roydon Essex.
 - Counterpart LEASE of piece of land (measurements given) adjoining No.106a High Street with greenhouse and building thereon.

- MAY 1989

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LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST ARCHIVE'S DEPT. NESTRY HOUSE MUSEUM VESTRY ROAD LONDON E17 ANH 1.

Records of Winchester Road Methodist Church,

Highams Park, Valthamstow

Highams Park United Methodist Free Church opened in 1903 and was originally accommodated in an iron building standing on a site given by John Hinchman (1834-1911), a noted landowner in Walthamstow. A permanent church opened in 1904 when it was one of the first buildings in Winchester Road and the first church built on the Western side of the rapidly growing suburb of Hale End, then becoming known as Highams Park. William Mallinson (1854-1932), member and benefactor of Shernhall Methodist Church (see W 85.155 and W 96 MAL), helped to establish a trust fund ,set up to cover building costs and links with Shernhall Street Church were particularly close.

A Memorial Hall of 1920 was replaced in 1960 by the new Memorial and Hodgson Halls, whilst the original Sunday School of 1904 had been replaced in 1956. The Church was damaged in 1940 but was repaired later.

Originally part of the London Fifth (Stratford) Circuit, which became the Forest Gate Circuit, the church was transferred to the newly established Walthamstow Circuit in 1913.

Condition of deposit : Permanent loan, as per Methodist deposited records.

Date of deposit : 1987

V 85.165/1 Baptism and church membership

¥ 85	. 165/1/1	Baptism	certificate	counterfoils (1 booklet)	June	-	Aug	1949
	/2	Baptism	certificate	counterfoils (1 booklet)	Oct.1950	Ŧ	Feb.	1951
	/3	Baptism	certificate	counterfoils (1 booklet)	Apr.1951	-	Aug.	1952
	/4	Baptism	certificate	counterfoils (1 booklet)	June .	-	Oct.	1952
	/5	Baptism	certificate	counterfoils (1 booklet)	Nov. 1953	-	Nov.	1954
	/6	Baptism	certificate	counterfoils (1 booklet)	Nov. 1954	-	Apr	1956
	17	Baptism	certificate	counterfoils (1 booklet)	M ay 1956	-	May	1959
	/8	Baptism	certificate	counterfoils (1 booklet)	Apr.1957	-	Sep	. 1960

V 85.165 Winchester Road Methodist Church

¥ 85.165/1 Baptism and church membership cont'd.

- W 85.165/1/9 Baptism certificate counterfoils Jun.1958 May 1959 (1 booklet)

/15 Register of members May 1944 - Nov.1954
 (as /13, Steward's copy)

(1 volume, indexed)

/18 Membership roll

1953 (1 paper, duplicate typescript)

¥ 85:165/2 Church and Leaders meetings

The original meetings of church trustees became monthly officers meetings from April 1905. In March 1927, officers and Church Council meetings were discontinued and replaced by quarterly leaders and Church meetings.

V 85.165/2/1 Minutes of church meetings Dec.1904 - Sep.1922 (1 volume)

> /2 Minutes of officers meetings Feb. 1905 - Nov. 1909 (1 volume)

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¥ 85.165 Acc. 8673 Winchester Road Methodist Church ¥ 85.165/2/ Church and Leaders meetings cont'd 14 Minutes of officers meetings Jun. 1920 - Apr. 1923 (1 volume) 15 May 1923 - Mar. 1927 Minutes of officers meetings Jun. 1927 - Jun. 1929 continues as leaders meetings May 1923 - Nov. 1925 at back minutes of church meetings (1 volume, indexed) 16 Minutes of church meetings Mar. 1926 - Apr. 1972 (1 volume) 17 Dec. 1929 - Nov. 1938 Minutes of leaders meetings (1 volume) /8 Minutes of leaders meetings Jan. 1939 - Mar. 1947 at back register of leaders attendances. (1 volume) Minutes of leaders meetings 19 Apr.1947 - Nov.1954 (1 volume, indexed) ¥ 85.165/3 Trust and Committee minutes Church trustees who met regularly from 1919 had particular responsibility for church buildings. ₩ 85.165/3/1 Trustees minute book Sep. 1919 - Apr. 1933 at front list of trustees (1 volume) 12 Trustees minute book May 1933 - May 1947 at front lists of trustees (1 volume) Trustees minute book 13 May 1947 - May 1954 at back list of trustees (1 volume) 14 Institute Council minute book Nov.1920 - Sep.1923 continues as General Church Council Oct. 1923 - Jan. 1927 at back Finance Committee minutes and list of General Church Council members (1 volume) Debt Clearance Fund Committee 15 Jul.1943 - Jan.1944 minutes continues as minutes of Building Jun. 1944 - Jun. 1950 Committee(also called Planning Committee) at front resume of interview at Walthamstow Town Hall concerning 17 Sept. 1946 proposed community centre in Highams Park. (1 volume, enclosing 7 papers) 16 Minutes of Management Committee of Mar. 1948 - Mar. 1950 Winchester Road Christian Community Centre. (1 paper, 1 file)

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Acc. 8673 ¥ 85.165 Winchester Road Methodist Church ¥ 85.165/3 Trust and Committee minutes cont'd ¥ 85.165/3/7 Over Twenties Committee minute book Oct.1948 - Jan.1957 (one volume, enclosing 14 papers, 2 booklets) 18 Finance Committee minutes Apr.1952 - Feb.1957 enclosing statements of accounts (one booklet enclosing 9 papers) ₩ 85.165/4 Accounts and collection journals Collection journal ¥ 85.165/4/1 Oct.1903 - Jun.1908 (1 volume) 12 Collection journal Jun. 1908 - Nov. 1913 (1 volume) 13 Nov. 1913 - Jun. 1919 Collection journal (1 volume) 14 Jun. 1919 - Jul. 1927 Collection journal (1 volume) Jan. 1939 - Oct. 1950 15 Collection journal (1 volume) 1905 - 1923 /6 Seat rent ledger includes name and residence of seat-holder (1 volume) 1909 - 192317 Church and trust receipt and expenditure accounts. (1 volume) /8 Church and trust journal 1909 - 1920 (1 volume) 1921 - 1923 19 Church and trust journal (1 volume, indexed) /10 Church and trust receipt and 1924 - 1940expenditure accounts 1944 - 1947/11 Cash book 1939 - 19491950 - 1957 at back Barclays Bank No.2 account at front financial resolutions of 1941 - 1946Leaders meetings. (1 volume) /12 Ledger 1940 - 1960 (1 volume) /13 Building fund account 1953 - 1960 (1 volume)

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Vinchester Road Methodist Church

- W 85.165/4 Accounts and collection journals cont'd
- W 85.165/4/14 Building Society account and 1956 1961
 Sub account pass books, Shern Hall
 (Methodist) Building Society
 (2 booklets)
- ¥ 85.165/5 Sunday School
- W 85.165/5/1 Minutes of teachers meetings Jan.1904 Jul.1908 (1 volume)
 - /2 Minutes of Sunday School Council Apr.1940 Apr.1950 at front particulars re Sunday School from 1903 by D.G.Bird, Vice President.

(1 volume)

- /4Sunday School offerings account1951 1959at back farthings collection account1953 1957
- V 85.165/6 Youth Club and Youth Council
- W 85.165/6/1 Minutes of Central Youth Council Mar.1949 May 1958 (1 volume)

 - /3 Minutes of Club Leaders meetings Aug. 1956 Nov. 1959 (1 volume, indexed)
- ¥ 85.165/7 Photographs
- W 85.165/7/1 Postcard showing foundation stone 1919 ceremony of first Memorial Hall (1 photo)
 - /2 Album of photographs showing demolition Sep.1954 c.1960 of wartime shelter and stone laying, opening, interior views (colour tinted), and exterior of Memorial halls, exterior of church from Winchester Road, compiled by Mr. & Mrs. Lankshear. (1 album)

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Vinchester Road Methodist Church

V 85.165/7 Photographs cont'd

V 85.165/7/3 Album of photographs of opening of May 1960 stage I of memorial halls, with interior views compiled by Mr. & Mrs Lankshear. (1 album)

> /4 Photographs of opening ceremonies c.1954 - 1960 of memorial halls

(8 photos)

- ¥ 85.165/8 Plans
- V 85.165/8/1 Blueprint floor plans of new memorial c.1954 hall with annotated alterations. (1 paper)
- V 85.165/9 Miscellaneous
- W 85.165/9/1 Autograph album including poetry and quotations written by church members, includes watercolour 'An Old country Lane' by J.H.Fletcher.
 Oct.1926 - Mar.1927

(1 volume)

/2 Programme of a grand concert given 12 Oct. 1929 by pupils from the Mayfair School of Dancing, Acting and Singing in the Memorial Hall.

(1 paper, printed)

/4 Syllabus for Winchester Road Oct.1957 - Jan.1958 Methodist Guild.

(1 booklet, printed)

/5 Circular letter concerning Winchester 1973 1973 Exhibition.

(1 paper, duplicate typescript)

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LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST - ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT Vestry House Museum Vestry Road. Walthamstow E17 9NH

> Records of Mathews Memorial Methodist Church, Penrhyn Crescent, Valthamstow.

> The church began as a men's meeting associated with Spruce Hills Congregational Mission (see W 85.235). Meetings, held over a shop in Brookscroft Road were led by A.A. Mathews (d.1931) who had moved to the Chapel End area of Walthamstow around the turn of the century.

Chapel End School became the venue for meetings, but in 1908 the old iron church from Shern Hall was purchased and erected in Brettenham Road on land belonging to the Warner Estate, becoming known as the Men's Own Brotherhood Hall, Chapel End. In 1924 it became part of the United Methodist Walthamstow Circuit and was renamed the Mathews Memorial United Methodist Church. A permanent church in Penrhyn Crescent opened in 1930 and buildings for youth work were added in 1962.

Deposited by :	Revd. W. R. Blow.	Minister	8) (1)
Date of deposit :	February 1988	1	
Condition :	Permanent loan archives.	as <u>per</u> Methodist	Church

Church meetings

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Minutes of Mens Own Brotherhood July 1908 - Sept. 1912 committee meetings.

(1 volume)

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Minutes of Mens Own Brotherhood Sept.1922 - Aug. 1925 Council meetings. <u>continues as</u> Mathews Memorial Church Committee Mar. - Aug. 1925

(1 volume)

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Minutes of church and leaders' meetings.

Jan.1924 - Dec. 1937

(1 volume)

/4 Minutes of church and leaders' meetings. Jan. 1938 - July 1954

(1 volume)

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Church meetings (continued)

- W 85.175/5 Minutes of church leaders' and July 1954 May 1969 trustees annual society meetings. (1 volume)
 - /6 Minutes of Church and Manse Dec. 1960 July 1965 trustees' meetings.

(1 volume)

/7 Constitution of Leaders meeting, 1952 - 1954 Dramatic Society, loose agendas and minutes of combined meeting of Leaders, trustees and Local Youth Council.

(7 papèrs)

Accounts

/8 Hall, Institute, Cricket club and 1909 - 1911 canteen annual accounts and balance sheets, illustration of church and report for 1916. (5 pages)

/9 Cash book

(1 volume)

Premises records

/10 Copy schedule of deeds 30th Jan. 1979 1898 - 1930 relating to church site commencing with abstract of title of Sir T.C.T. Warner.

(1 paper, typescript)

1962 - 1977

/11 Draft tenancy agreement and rules c.1910 for Mens Own Brotherhood allotments.

(1 paper)

/12 Notice concerning emergency 15th Feb. 1972 power regulations and church premises.

(1 paper, typescript)

/13 List of Keyholders and acceptance n.d. forms for keys.

(paper, 1 file)

/14 Note of dates 1930-1970 and c.1980 ERSTS relating to church and manse (41 Becontree Avenue)

(1 paper)

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Mathews Memorial Church continued

Premises records continued

/15 Sketch block plan of church premises Aug. 1972 No scale. 2 copies, 1 showing proposed site for a caravan. (2 papers)

Miscellaneous

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Rules of the Leyton, Leytonstone n.d. (c.1910) and Walthamstow Association of P.S.A. and Brotherhood Societies (affiliated to the London Federation).

(1 paper, printed)

/17 Papers concerning occasional play 1952 - 1953 licences, billiards room and caretakers salary.

(paper, 1 file)

JUL 1970

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H.M.C 14440 NATIONAL PEGISTER ARCHIVES.

Unless otherwise stated, all these records are in the Circuit safes, at Shern Hall Methodist church.

Shern Hall (United Methodist Free) Methodist Church

[Shern Hall was originally in the Fifth London (Stratford) Circuit, later London (Forest Gate) Circuit, until 1913 when the Walthamstow United Methodist Circuit was formed]

Schedule of deeds (1 vob.) Schedule of deeds held by Midland Bank, Sheffield Documents relating to purchase of Nos.1-19 Oliver Rd., 173 & 175 Shern Hall St., 90 & 92 Chestnut Av. Trustees' Mtg. Mins. (2 vols.) (1896-1930 (1930-1956)

The Lighthouse (United Methodist Free) Methodist Church, Markhouse Rd.

[The Lighthouse was in Hackney Circuit until 1941, when it transferred to Walthamstow]

Trust deeds, etc., including 1889 conveyance of land and subsequent documents of title, 1892 contract to build Lighthouse, 1901 specification to build Institute (1 large envelope) *Trustees' Mtg.Mins. (1 vol.) 18 *Ch. Leaders' Mtg.Mins. (4 vols.) (18 (18

1891-1903 (1892-1898 (1898-1903 (1904-1909 (1910-1929 1890-1895

"Treasurer's Acct. Bk. (1 vol.)

* These volumes are at the Lighthouse, in the safe.

High Street (previously Marsh St. Primitive Methodist) Methodist Church

[Marsh Street was attached to the Home Mission department until 1890, when it was transferred to the London Mission. In 1916 the Walthaustow (P) Circuit was formed, which amalgamated in 1937 with the Walthaustow (U) Circuit as the Walthamstow (A) Circuit. The Bethnal Green Station and Walthamstow Mission became associated in 1876, when Thomas Jackson was appointed to lead the Walthamstow Mission, and at the same time to superintend the Bethnal Green Mission then without a minister and in poor shape (see H.B. Kendall, <u>Hist.Prim.Meth.Ch</u>., ii.507-8). The Bethnal Green Mission ceased in 1879]

Minutes of Bethnal Green Station (West St. Chapel) 1874-9, and of Walthamstow Mission, 1876-98 (1 vol.) 1874-98 Baptismal Register: Mile End Old Town, Mdx., 1874-5, Bethnal Green, 1875, Walthamstow 1878- (1 vol.)

Lloyd Park (United Methodist Free) Methodist Church

[Originally in Hackney Circuit, transferred to London (Forest Gate) in 1912 and to Walthamstow in 1913. Closed 1956; building sold to Salvation Army in 1958]

	Trustees' Mtg.Mins. (2 vols.)	(1902-1946
	Ch. Leaders' Mtg.Mins., incl.	(1946-1958
	Building Cttee.Mtgs. (1923) (3 vols.)	(1923-1926 (1926-1927 (1927-1929
Ser Ler w	Minutes of Church Members Meetings (5 vols.)	(1902-1910 (1910-1917 (1922-1923 (1926-1931

Papers incl. MS and TS notes on hist. of ch. found bundled in vol.1931-4

Cash	book and	general accounts	(1	vol.)	Ľ
Cash	accounts	(2 vols.)		1	2

Ledger accounts (3 vols.)

1922-1930 (1937-1945 (1946-1952 (1937-1945 (1945-1953 (1953-1957

(1931-1934

17 files of loose papers and correspondence relating to:

- 1) Church accounts (1 file)
- 2),3) Church property, 424/30 and 434 Forest Road (2 files)
- 4),5) General correspondence (2 files)
- 6) Mallinson Trust (1 file)
- 7) Rating and Income Tax (1 file)
- 8) Dept. for Chapel Affairs (1 file)
- 9) Correspondence on proposed rebuilding after War damage and eventual decision to close church, 1951-6 [This is a <u>most important file</u> containing a great deal of information on the church and the problems arising from its capital
- 10) debt and falling membership] (1 file)
- 10) Insurance (1 file)
- 11) Midland Bank (1 file)
- 12) Lloyd Park Trust (1 file)
- 13) Trust Reorganization (1 file)
- 14) The Manse (1 file)
- General church matters, grants, finance, 1940-54 (1 file)
- 16) Sale of the church (completed 7 Jan. 1958) to Salvation Army (1 file)
- 17) Correspondence on 63 Ruby Road

WALTHAMSTOW METHODIST RECORDS (cont.)

Walthamstow (United Methodist) Circuit

[The Circuit was formed in 1913]

Quarterly and Cttee. Mtg. Mins. (3 vols.)

(1913-1925 (1925-1944 (1945-1962

Local Preachers' Mtg.Mins. (2 vols.)

(1932-1941)

Hackney (United Methodist) Circuit

[The only Essex Church in the Circuit was the Lighthouse, Walthamstow]

Plan Cttee.Mins. meetings at Pembury Grove (1 vol.) 1920-40