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Reference code: GB 214 DBAP13
Title: BETHEL ENGLISH BAPTIST CHURCH,
WHITCHURCH, CARDIFF
Date(s) 1864-1973]
Level of description: Fonds (level 2)
Extent: 0.05 cubic metres; 2½ standard boxes

Name of creators Bethel English Baptist Church, Whitchurch, Cardiff

Administrative/Biographical history

Bethel was formed in 1865 after a visit by members of Bethany Baptist Church, Cardiff, in order to cater for English immigrants and local people who had dropped Welsh in favour of English and had split from Ararat Baptist Church (on Wauntreoda common). The group met initially in a cottage on Merthyr Road, then moved to a barn adjoining the common. The first church was built in 1867 on a site to the rear of the present church. The first minister, Neville Harris of Cardiff, was appointed in June 1868 but resigned after only 6 months and Bethel had to depend on lay preachers and visiting ministers till 1899. The need for additional space led in 1884 to the setting up of a building fund with backing from Cardiff Baptists but the new church did not open until 1894 and required additional galleries and renovation in 1900-1 and further additions in 1927. See Old Whitchurch. The Story of a Glamorgan Parish by Edgar L Chappell (Cardiff 1945).

Scope and content

Appraisal, destruction and scheduling information

All records offered have been accepted and listed

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Language/Scripts of material

English

Physical characteristics and technical requirements

Good condition

Finding aids

Detailed list available.

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Related units of description

Note

Date(s) of descriptions

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DBA13/1	Minute book of church meetings including minutes of meetings to form church May 1865, meeting held in Wauntreoda before chapel was erected [1 volume]	1865-1870
DBAP13/2	Minute book of church meetings [1 volume]	1894-1907
DBAP13/3-9	Minute books of deacons' and church meetings	1913-1958
DBAP13/3	Minutes book	1913-1920
DBAP13/4	Minutes book	1920-1926
DBAP13/5	Minutes book	1926-1936
DBAP13/6	Minutes book	1936-1940
DBAP13/7	Minutes book	1940-1944
DBAP13/8	Minutes book	1945-1951
DBAP13/9	Minutes book [7 volumes]	1951-1958
DBAP3/10	Accounts book [1 volume]	1864-1973
DBAP13/11	Church expenses book [1 volume]	1872
DBAP13/12	Members' contributions book [1 volume]	1867-1872
DBAP13/13	Minutes book of organ and building fund committee including minutes of fete committee, May-July 1929, bazaar committee, 1932, selection committee, 1943-1944, manse committee Jan-Sep, 1945 [1 volume]	1922-1928

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DBAP13/14	Minutes book of eisteddfod committee including at end: communicants roll 1950-1955 [1 volume]	1933-1936
DBAP13/15	Minute book of Sunday School teachers meetings [1 volume]	1912-1919
DBAP13/16	Order of service for centenary celebrations [1 pamphlet, printed]	2-9 May 1965