

The Camp Meetings in connection with the Chapel were quite a sensational event in the quiet life of the village. These would be held on a suitable meadow when the weather was fine. Crowds would come from surrounding villages, and when word got round that so and so from a certain parish was coming to the meeting we would tell ourselves that we were in for a good time.

In the evenings they would hold what they called a 'Love Feast'. Everyone who wished could take part, and I found it of great interest to watch the attitudes of the different converts as they unfolded their feelings in public of how they came to be saved.

One of the 'Feasts' I have in mind was conducted by the fishermen from a neighbouring town. Never before had I seen such an array of jerseys. One of these fishermen had a striped shirt underneath his jersey, and I am not certain whether it was through pride in his garment or whether it was through nerves, but when ever he was on his feet speaking, he would roll up his jersey and then unroll it again after displaying a great deal of striped shirt. Another of them began by saying 'I could have preached you a rare sermon when I was walking over the golf links on my way to the meeting, but the bottom seems to have dropped out of the bag now'. To get the full effect of this sentence, one would have to hear it spoken in the local dialect, for instance the word 'sermon' sounded more like 'Sarinond'. This man got in a great muddle in trying to tell his audience of his experiences and convictions, as his opening sentence implies.

There was such a good muster of these men that they could not all get into the pulpit so they had to speak where they could find room to stand up. One of these bore the nickname 'Butcher' and I must say he looked like one, although he was a fisherman. I must describe his speech. I might have mentioned that this particular 'feast' was held in the Chapel on account of the weather and this 'Butcher' had been seated just in front of me. As soon as he rose in his pew to speak he gave himself full room for action, swinging his arms about wildly and shouting at the top of his voice. With each sentence he moved still further forward eventually forcing his way into the aisle. He looked very fierce, but seemed quite happy to relate his convictions in this manner.

After performing like this for a minute or so he felt fit to offer an apology for his lack of education, and shouted out at the top of his voice 'What matter if the words do come out arse-upwards!' No sooner had this been said than he calmed down and slunk back to his pew very much embarrassed.

When at the height of their oratory, speakers' movements were frequently a menace to those seated near them and you had to do some ducking if you sat in front of one of them, as my Uncle can testify. He came from the North and was not used to this kind of behaviour in Chapel, so instead of leaning forward in his seat when the man behind him got to his feet to speak, he remained seated upright, and it was not long before he received such a clout from the gesticulating man.

He said afterwards that the blow was entirely unexpected.

For more of Jimmy High's autobiography, see pp 156-162

THE METHODIST CHURCH SWAFFHAM CIRCUIT

PREACHERS' PLAN and DIRECTORY

JULY 4th to SEPT. 26th 1971

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PASTORAL LETTER

Methodist Manse,

SWAFFHAM.

June 1971.

Dear Friends,

I begin this letter with memories of Whit Monday's Market Fayre still fresh in my mind. What a Fayre it was! Financially, the result exceeded all our expectations, and we are so very thankful for it. But, perhaps even more important, was the spirit of good comradeship in service which pervaded every part and moment of the Fayre. Once again, thank you all for all you did to make the effort so outstandingly successful.

And now, it is with great sorrow that I have to say that this is my last Pastoral Letter to you. Frankly, I scarcely know what to say. But I must try to say how deeply grateful, how very thankful, my family and I are at having been privileged to be with you and to serve alongside you during these past seven years or so. You have opened your hearts and your homes to us (perhaps, because of the nature of the work, more especially to me). I do not hesitate to say that we have never been more happy, have never felt more at home, in any other Circuit. For this, for all your help and encouragement, for all your kindness and love, we are more grateful than we can express. Large and rich indeed is the storehouse of precious memories we shall be taking away with us.

I commend to you most warmly the Rev. Thomas H. Bryant who takes over the Superintendency of the Circuit in September. Both Tom and his wife are Norfolk folk, and have already served in the East Anglia District, and I know that you will extend to them and their family the same generous and open-hearted affection you gave to us when we came among you. And I am confident that under your new Leader the Circuit will prosper and grow.

My family and I will be thinking of you often, and you will be constantly in our prayers. May our Heavenly Father guide and keep you always.

Yours sincerely,

FRANK MELLOR.

PREACHERS' NAMES AND ADDRESSES

- 1905 Kedge, C. W. — 1 Spinners Lane, Swaffham.
 1911 Clarke, W. C. — Necton Road, Lt. Dunham, King's Lynn.
 1927 Harrowing, H. J. — 36 Priory Place, Sporle, King's Lynn.
 1931 Bly, J. W. — Warren Cottages, Westacre, King's Lynn.
 1932 Lord Hilton, J.P. — 9 Spinners Lane, Swaffham.
 1942 Howlett, C. — 31, Lamberts Close, Weasenham St.
 Peter, King's Lynn.
 1945 Dawson, H. J. — Laburnum Cottage, Beeston, King's Lynn.
 1953 Bowman, Mrs. W. — 6 Southfield, Sporle, King's Lynn.
 1955 Christian, P. E., "Luceanor", Northwell Pool Road,
 Swaffham.
 1957 Wagg, N. — Church Street, Litcham, King's Lynn.
 1958 Jackson, Miss D. M. C. — 52 High Street, Tittleshall,
 King's Lynn.
 1959 Dye, Miss H. E. — Norbrick House, Sporle, King's Lynn.
 1959 Mackney, F. F. — Beeston, King's Lynn.
 1961 Ayres, H. G. — Feltwell Lodge, Feltwell, Nr. Thetford.
 1961 Barrett, A. J. — "Bethlyn", Gt. Dunham, King's Lynn.
 1961 Lambert, E. C. — 4 Bailey Street, Castleacre, King's Lynn.
 1963 Butcher, Mrs. G. — "Maranatha", 58 New Sporle Road,
 Swaffham.

Preachers on Trial

- Mr. B. Woods, 17 Hills Close, Sporle, King's Lynn.
 Mr. G. Butcher, "Maranatha", 58 New Sporle Road,
 Swaffham.
 Mr. S. J. Casburn, 7 Mill Farm Nurseries, Swaffham.

Auxiliary Preachers

- Mr. C. Addy, B.Sc., School House, Litcham, King's Lynn.
 Mrs. M. I. Hammond, 35 Brackenwood, Necton, Swaffham.
 Miss V. Goddard, Lexham Rd., Litcham, King's Lynn.
 Mr. K. S. Smith, 7 Station Drive, Gt. Fransham, Dereham.
 Mrs. G. L. Dye, Norbrick House, Sporle, King's Lynn.
 Lady Hilton, 9 Spinners Lane, Swaffham.

Reader's Service

- Mrs. B. G. Banham, Chevington House, 30 Haspalls Road,
 Swaffham.
 Mrs. N. Betts, "Penlan", Chantry Lane, Necton, Swaffham.
 Mrs. R. Lunn, 23 Ash Close, Swaffham.
 Miss S. M. Bly, Warren Cottages, Westacre, King's Lynn.

Preachers from other Circuits and Churches

- Rev. N. R. Coppack (Dereham)
 Rev. A. Fairhurst (Hunstanton)

- Rev. H. J. Martin, M.A., B.D. (Chairman of the District), Norwich
 Mrs. E. R. A. Arbon (Swaffham)
 Mrs. E. Boothby (Gt. Fransham)
 Mr. S. Caley (Marham)
 Mr. J. W. Everett (Hilgay)
 Miss R. E. Fisher (Mattishall)
 Mr. G. Garner (Toftwood)
 Mr. E. Gaskins (King's Lynn)
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 Mr. C. A. Jolly (Gressenhall)
 Mrs. M. Kampouropoulos (King's Lynn)
 Mr. and Mrs. C. Mills (Stevenage)
 Mr. S. Rawling (Dereham)
 Mr. J. M. Rayner (Wardy Hill)
 Mr. P. R. Robinson (Foulden)
 Mrs. J. Rowlinson (King's Lynn)
 Mr. I. G. Stuffsins (Fakenham)
 Mr. W. Utting (Swaffham)
 Mr. D. E. Whiteside, J.P. (Colkirk)
 Mr. C. Wilson (Holme Hale)
 Mr. G. T. Wright (Thetford)
 Mr. H. J. Wyett (Thornham)

CIRCUIT CALENDAR

Society Stewards are asked —

To refer to this Calendar **each week**, and include in their pulpit notices anything here shown to be taking place during the next seven days or so.

Circuit Youth Sports, Saturday, July 17th, at Litcham (Details later).

Circuit United Service, Sunday, September 5th, at Swaffham, 6.30 p.m. Induction of new Superintendent Minister, Rev. Thomas H. Bryant by Chairman of the District, Rev. H. J. Martin, M.A., B.D.

Circuit Local Preachers' Meeting, Monday, September 6th, at Castleacre, 7.30 p.m.

Circuit Quarterly Meeting, Tuesday, September 7th, at Great Massingham, 7.30 p.m.

Circuit Youth Council, Friday, September 10th, at home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Butcher, 58 New Sporle Road, Swaffham, 7.30 p.m.

Important Notice :

All requests from Preachers or Churches regarding the next Plan must be sent to the Superintendent in writing not later than August 13th 1971.

1971		JULY					AUGUST					SEPTEMBER				
		4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26		
SWAFFHAM Thursday	10.45 6.30 2.45 7.30	Mellor Bowman	S Fairhurst Fairhurst	CA Sister Woods Gard.Pty (Fri6)	Caley Bly	Coppack Wagg	S G. Butcher Harrowing	15 Mellor	Utting Sister	S Sister LA	Mellor United Service LM(W)	S Sister Casburn	Mellor Whiteside Mellor (M) Supper	HF HF HF ATM (Fri)	Lambert Barrett	
CASTLECRE Wednesday Thursday	11.00 6.30 2.30 7.00	Casburn Hammond Mellor	Rayner Barrett	Mellor CA S Wilson Sister	Hilton Sister	S. M. Bly Woods Supply	Sister Betts	LA Sister	S Banham G. Butcher	R. Butcher Hilton Sister	Lambert Swaffham	Mellor Christian Mellor	S Bly Mellor	HF HF Sister ATM CC	Lunn Sister ATM CC	
WESTACRE Wednesday	2.30 6.30 7.00	Mellor	S Wright Wright	CA R. Butcher CA	Betts	Bowman	15 Casburn	G. Butcher	Sister	S Howlett	15 Martin Swaffham	Mellor	S LA	Fisher Fisher ATM CC	HF HF	
SPORLE Tuesday	11.00 6.30 7.30	G. L. Dye Mellor	S Gaskins Gaskins	Mills Mills	Sister Whiteside	LA Bly	Mellor Lunn	Sister Hammond	S Harrowing S. M. Bly	Casburn Sister	Martin Swaffham	Jolly Hull	CA Sister Barrett ATM CC	S Mellor Everett	HF HF	
LITTLE DUNHAM Wednesday	2.30 7.00	Harrowing	12 G. Butcher	Arbon SA Boothby 6.30 SA	Lunn	Casburn	Mellor	S LA	N. Hilton	4 Sister	Banham Swaffham 6.30	5 Betts	Mellor ATM 8 CC	HF Sister	S	
GREAT DUNHAM Wednesday	2.30 7.00	Jolly Jolly 6.30	SA Lunn SA	Bowman	15 Harrowing	S Mellor	S S. M. Bly	2 Sister	Casburn	4 Barrett	N. Hilton Swaffham 6.30	5 LA	Sister ATM CC (Lt. Dunham)	S Mellor	HF	
LITCHAM Monday Tuesday	2.30 6.30 6.00 2.30	Woods Banham	12 Betts Rayner	LA Casburn Sister	Sister Robinson	Harrowing Harrowing	8 Lambert Mellor	2 N. Hilton Barrett Sister	6 G. L. Dye Bly	7 Bowman Wagg Sister	12 R. Butcher Swaffham	5 Hilton G. Butcher Sister	Hammond Sister	Children Mellor	HF HF	
TITTLESHALL Wednesday	6.30 6.00	Un.Serv. Coff	Rawling	Sister	S Barrett	Mellor	1 Bly	LA	Betts	G. Butcher	Sister FS Swaffham	11 Mellor	S Harrowing	15 R. Butcher		
BEESTON Tuesday 6.00 & 7.15	2.30 6.30 7.15	N. Hilton	8 Rayner	Mellor CA	R. Butcher	5 G. L. Dye	8 Banham Sister	LA	Lunn Sister	7 Woods	12 S. M. Bly Swaffham 6.30	Sister	S Wyett Wyett ATM Fri 7.15	HF HF	Casburn	
WEASENHAM Tuesday	2.30 6.30 7.00	Barrett	LA	Mellor Sister	G. Butcher	Howlett	Sister	S Christian Sister	Sister 10.30 LA	Bly Sister	2 Swaffham	Sister Sister (M)	HF HF	Rougham	Woods	
ROUGHAM Wednesday	2.30 6.30 2.30	Howlett Bly	15 Garner Garner	SA Sister Barrett Sister	S Casburn Mellor	Banham N. Hilton	3 Hilton R. Butcher Sister	12 Bowman LA	5 Lambert Lambert Sister	11 Harrowing	6 G. L. Dye Swaffham Sister	12 Woods Weasenhams	12 Stuffs Christian	HF HF	Howlett Sister	
ST. MASSINGHAM Thursday	2.30 2.30	Lambert	15 Rowlinson	SA Howlett Sister	15 Mellor	G. Butcher Sister	3 Sister	S Woods Sister	12 R. Butcher	5 Betts Sister	11 Sister Swaffham 6.30 OM (Tue 7.30)	S Bowman	12 S. M. Bly	Kampou's ATM Mn 7.30	HF	

REFERENCES
 HM Home Missions
 CA Chapel Anniversaries
 S Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
 ATM Annual Trustees' Meeting
 ASM Annual Society Meeting
 LA Local Arrangement

GCF General Chapel Fund
 QM Quarterly Meeting
 LM Leaders' Meeting
 FS Film Service
 OM Overseas Missions
 SA Sunday School Anniversary
 CC Church Council

HF Harvest Festival
 CS Covenant Service
 RS Reader's Service
 WF Women's Fellowship.

CHURCH OFFICERS

No. of Members	Society Stewards
73 Swaffham	B. G. Banham, Chevington House, 30 Haspalls E. Manning. W. E. Ansell.
15 Castleacre	P. R. Barnes, North St., Castleacre King's Lynn. E. C. Lambert.
6 Westacre	Mrs. J. W. Bly, Warren Cottages, Westacre, [King's Lynn.
25 Sporle	H. J. Harrowing, 36 Priory Place, Sporle, W. P. Ayton Mrs. H. J. Harrowing.
12 Lt. Dunham	Miss E. Wright, 3 Old Council Houses, Little [Dunham, King's Lynn.
7 Gt. Dunham	A. J. Barrett, "Bethlyn", Gt. Dunham, King's Lynn. Mrs. A. J. Barrett.
19 Litcham	R. Wagg, Pound Lane, Litcham, King's Lynn. N. Wagg.
3 Tittleshall	R. Roberson, 49 High Street, Tittleshall, K. Lynn.
13 Beeston	H. J. Dawson, Laburnum Cottage, Beeston, [King's Lynn.
8 Weasenham	C. Howlett, Weasenham St. Peters, King's Lynn. S. Lynn.
11 Rougham	Mrs. A. E. Bear, 22 Rougham, King's Lynn. E. Manning.
15 Gt. Massingham	F. P. Worboys, 48 Sunnyside Road, Great [Massingham, King's Lynn. Mrs. E. M. Carlton.
207	(3 members in training)

Preachers' Travelling Arrangements

By kind co-operation of car owners, preachers may travel to their appointments as indicated by the number after their names. Please arrange time and meeting place with the motorist concerned. The motorists' numbers are as follows :—

Superintendent Minister	...	1	Mrs. R. Lunn	...	...	7
Mr. J. W. Bly	...	2	Mr. W. E. Ansell	...	...	8
Mrs. B. G. Banham	...	3	Sister Marjorie	...	...	9
Mr. S. J. Casburn	...	4	Mr. A. J. Barrett	...	...	10
Mr. G. Butcher	...	5	Mrs. N. Betts	...	...	11
Miss E. V. Lawson	...	6	Mr. B. Woods	...	...	12

N.B. — 15 against any preacher's name means the Society Stewards must arrange transport for him.

Trust Secretary and Treasurer	Sunday School Superintendent	Organist
Miss E. V. Lawson	G. W. Butcher	Miss O. F. Prouton Mrs. G. P. Young Mrs. G. Butcher. Mrs. F. Deedman
Mrs. W. Colman	J. W. Bly	
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Mrs. E. R. A. Arbon Miss E. Wright	A. and F. Dye.	A. and F. Dye
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F. P. Worboys J. Coker	Miss S. Wagg	

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Circuit Stewards: R. Roberson, H. J. Harrowing and B. G. Banham.

Circuit Quarterly Meeting Secretary: Mr. H. J. Harrowing, 36 Priory Place, Sporle, King's Lynn.

Local Preachers' Meeting Secretary: Mr. J. Bly, Westacre, K.Lynn.

Circuit Overseas Missions:

Circuit Secretary: The Superintendent Minister.

Treasurer: Mrs. R. Lunn, 23 Ash Close, Swaffham.

Circuit J.M.A. Secretary & Treasurer: Miss J. L. Ayton, 16 Priory Place, Sporle, King's Lynn.

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Circuit President: Mrs. N. F. Burndred.

Secretary: Miss E. V. Lawson, 3 Spinners Lane, Swaffham.

Treasurer: Miss J. L. Ayton, 16 Priory Place, Sporle, King's Lynn.

Home Missions Circuit Secretaries: The Deaconess and Mrs. G. Butcher.

Circuit Youth Council:

Secretaries: The Deaconess and Mrs. A. J. Barrett, Gt. Dunham, King's Lynn.

Treasurer: Miss D. M. C. Jackson, 52 High St., Tittleshall, King's Lynn.

Christian Citizenship Secretaries:

The Superintendent Minister and Miss R. Emmerson, High House Farm, Beeston, King's Lynn.

Connexional Funds Secretary: The Superintendent Minister.

Methodist Homes for the Aged Secretary: Mrs. B. G. Banham, Chevington House, 30 Haspalls Road, Swaffham.

Circuit Women's Fellowship:

President: Mrs. F. Mellor.

Secretary: The Deaconess.

Education Secretary: Mr. K. S. Smith, 7 Station Drive, Great Fransham.

L.P. Mutual Aid Association Secretary: Mr. H. J. Harrowing.

Circuit Auditors: Miss E. V. Lawson and Circuit Stewards.

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Mr. N. Wagg	Litcham 208	Mrs. N. Betts	Holme Hale 408
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

for the Quarter ended 31st May 1971

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	£		£
Quartermen:		Circuit Staff:	
Swaffham	123.76	Stipends	466.44
Castleacre	41.45	Allowances	74.37
West Acre	21.55	Ministers' Retirement Fd.	37.83
Sporle	73.44	General Assessment	28.25
Lt. Dunham	29.35	District Levy	4.95
Gt. Dunham	19.48	Manse Rent	25.00
Litcham	29.31	Garage Rent	3.25
Tittleshall	11.00	Printing Plans	8.50
Beeston	14.37	Rural Film Scheme	2.02
Weasenham	15.00	Synod Expenses	4.00
Rougham	35.00	Sundry Expenses	0.50
Gt. Massingham	24.23		
United Service Collection	5.06		
	443.00	Deficit 28.271 b.fwd.	308.72
Home Mission Fund	56.25		
Stipend Equaln. Fund	17.19		
Plan Sales	8.64		
Circuit Rally	17.15		
Messengers Concert	30.50		
Deficit 31.571 c.fwd.	391.10		
	£963.83		£963.83

ROBIN ROBBERSON
H. JOHN HARROWING
BERNARD G. BANHAM } Circuit Stewards