A CAVALCADE OF HISTORIC CHURCH SITES

Formally the Port Germein Circuit

28th August 1988
This short history is a brief record of the endeavours of our settlers to establish a settled church in a new land.

We acknowledge the debt we owe to these original settlers, who loved the Lord Jesus and were faithful in worship and witness to the Gospel of the Good News of Jesus - love for all.

We give thanks for their steadfastness, loyalty and the example they set. May we follow in their footsteps.

On 28th August 1988 this cavalcade to the early church sites is our effort to retrace the steps of our forebears and walk in their way of Christian service.

The day will begin with a Thanksgiving service at Port Germein where Rev. Bill Paynter, Parkin Patrol Padre, will be speaker. Then each site will be visited, with a statement of reason for that church, and an unveiling of the plaque.

The sites we will visit are of the Aboriginal Church, the house of Mr. Thomas where the first service was held, the church on the cattle track, Baroota Church, Baroota Hall, Mambray Creek (formerly Baptist), luncheon at Mambray Creek, Baroota Whim, Mambray Creek Church.

We give thanks to all who in any way helped with the preparation of this book, and with setting up the plaques.

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ABORIGINAL CHURCH 1927 - 1936

In the early days, the Aborigines camped in and about the town, with others, at a place called the Dam Paddock (Sec. 108 of Baroeta) that was leased by Mr. J. Dixon. Mr. Dixon objected to having the aborigines camping on his country, disturbing his blocks, and the aborigines complained that the Dixons hunted them away from the water. Finally, on August 15th, 1895, Sects. 152 - 156, originally reserved as a forest and water reserve, were declared to be Crown Lands reserved for the use and benefit of the aborigines. There the remnant of the Mankuna Tribe lived and eked out an existence.

In 1925, aborigines assisted by local preachers, held open air services. In 1926, Rev. H. Lomman was the minister. Mr. Fred McQuaile, an aborigine who had been on a mission and had christian teaching, he married one of the Branfield girls and they had a daughter, Daisy, wished to have christian teaching for the young people in the camp. With the support of the local church people and Rev. H. Lomman, a church was built in 1926. The materials used to build the church were flattened petrol and kerosene tins and pine posts. A lot of the work was done by the camp people under the guidance of Rev. H. Lomman and trustees J.M. Hillam, Fred & Will McDougall, Phil Williams & Edgar Woolford. The pews and pulpit were made of local timber.

The official opening and dedication conducted by Rev. Norman Lade was held on 1.9.1927. A photograph of the event shows a large gathering. Services started in January 1927 and were held at 10.30 a.m. Local preachers took turns with the minister for services. Marjorie Branfield, later Mrs Bill Giles, learned to play the organ and Fred and his wife used to sing duets. There would have been a regular congregation of ten to twelve from the camp, but often locals and visitors would attend and the attendance could reach thirty.

Like all places the young ones grew older, the boys worked in shearing sheds, some were shearers, the girls married and moved away and eventually there was only Marjorie and her family left. A house was built in Port Germein for her and the children went to Port Germein School. Services were held in later years, the last recorded was September 1953, during the time of, Rev. E.H. Deutscher.

Eric Branfield was the last to live on the Reserve and he died in 1979. His sister, Marjorie Giles and several of her grandchildren were at the funeral.

The land is now owned by Port Augusta Woma Society.
FIRST BAROOTA SERVICES HELD AT HOME OF J. THOMAS SEC.53

In 1879 the Rev's J. THOMAS & G.J. SAMSON were stationed in Gladstone Circuit and in the magazine for Oct. 1878 a report was given of the Home Mission Meetings in the circuit which then included Napperby and Baroota.

"At Baroota our services were held at the house of Mr. J. THOMAS late of McLaren Vale. After dinner, the young men speedily erected a tent, and soon a large company gathered for tea. After tea a Mission Meeting was held.

As the opening on the west side of the Flinders Ranges is so promising, and our Circuit is 75 miles long, I hope the western side will soon be severed from us and made a separate station."

The mission meeting mentioned above, had Rev. Thorne, a Bible Christian, as leader.

In minutes of Conference 1880, Port Augusta and Port Germain were associated with the Rev's J.A. BURNS & G.J. SAMSON. The accounts of the Port Germain Mission were to be kept separate.

Then in 1881 Port Germain was made a separate mission.

This site is now owned by Peter & Rev Dennis.
This was the first Baroota Bible Christian Church, being of weatherboard construction and built on Section 32C on land owned by Mr. David Beyer senior.

The church was opened on 19.6.1881 and Rev. G.J. Sampson was the preacher. A Tea Meeting was held on Tuesday 21.6.1881.

Trustees were Rev. G.J. Sampson, A. Williams, C. Giddings, T.B. Robinson.

Mr. John Dunn came from Telowie, travelling each Sunday to teach the Sunday School, or Bible Class as it was called in those days. Owen Broadbear reports that his mother, Florence Crittendon attended Sunday School there. The books that were presented to Reuben Williams by Mr. J. Dunn are still intact.

In the 1890's due to more settlement on the western side, it was decided to move the church to a more central position. The congregation found it easier to attend the church at Bow's Corner.

This original site was on land now owned by Ray and Kath Hobart.
BAROOTA CHURCH 1890 - 1975

Mr. George Stone gave a piece of land known as Beew's Corner (Section 93C) on a corner opposite the Blacksmith's Shop. This was the new site for the Bible Christian church which had moved from the Cattle Track, and was opened on 5.8.1890 with Rev. W.T. Shapley preaching at the Service.

The first bride was Jessie Beew who married Mr. Nelson in April 1890. They were married in the original building before the stone church was opened.

Moving the church made it much stronger as it grew in attendance according to records kept. It was now difficult though for those in the South East direction to attend; for example the Tillers, Broadbears and Williams. To overcome this Mr. George Crittendon and Mr. Arthur Williams each gave a piece of land a half chain wide along their boundaries. This was called the Half Chain Road, and declared on 19.1.1893. This road meant much less travelling distances.

Records show a meeting held on 3.12.1896 to discuss Methodist Union: it seems they had Trustees for Port Germien Church and other Trustees for Baroota, and it was a struggle to finance these buildings. In 1894 the Trustees were Mr. J. Beew, Mr. G. Stone, Mr. S.J. Broadbear and Mr. A. Williams Snr. Tenders were called for the building of a Manse at Port Germien on 26.8.1894. In 1896 it was completed and occupied.

Pastor J.H. Ashton wrote in December 16, 1897 in his report to Port Germien Quarterly Meeting:

"At Baroota (considering the divided state of the district, and the fact that there are two other preaching places not far away) the congregations have been very good. The weekly Christian Endeavour meetings have also been very well attended. But as the society is composed of members of the different churches it is not so much good to us as the numbers would indicate. In the Circuit there are a few good workers. Our prayer is that the indifference may give way and more life and soul come into the church."

The foundation stone for the Baroota Methodist Church was laid by Mr. Arthur Williams on August 9th 1905. The farmers carted the stone for the church and a builder was engaged. It was the largest church in the Port Germien Methodist Circuit and was officially opened in August 1906.

In 1952 the Highway's Department surveyed the new Highway No. 1. They acquired the church site and the building was rented from the Highway's Department for a peppercorn rental of threepence. Due to the population drop services were held monthly during 1968 - 1971. Before the building was demolished in 1977 many former residence of the area returned for a closing service held on March 2nd, 1975, taken by Rev. Ivan Goss, assisted by Rev. Allan George.
On August 19th 1979 a dedication service was held and the Cairn, made with the original foundation stone inserted, was unveiled by Mr. J.M. Hillam, the last surviving Lay Preacher. Mr. Ross Simpson preached the sermon; Mr. Hedley Thomas, a descendant of Mr. J. Thomas (in whose home the first service was held), read the scripture lesson.

There was a strong Sunday School at Baroota Methodist Church. Mr. S.J. Broadbear was Superintendent until 1916. When he left Mrs. R. Williams became Superintendent and held the position for 26 years. Following her were Mr. P. Williams, Mr. J.M. Hillam, Mr. F.J. McDougall, Mr. Ray Hobart and Mr. Eric Hillam. Mrs. Mary McDougall and Mrs. Beryl Mudge were Kindergarten Superintendents. Photos of the Sunday School picnics showed large gatherings. Early picnics were held on Mr. Orchard's property at Baroota Creek, now owned by Mr. J. McKenzie.
CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR
FIRST AVAILABLE RECORDS BAROOTA 1898

Officers: President Rev. J.H. Ashton
Vice President Mr. A. Williams Sen.
Secretary Mr. A. McDougall
Asst Secretary & Treasurer R.E.F. Jago

Committees (Lookout): J. McDougall, Miss H. Mudge, H. Crittendon,
Miss D. Brinkworth

"Prayer Meeting": R.E.F. Jago, Miss A. Mudge, A. McDougall,
Miss Stone

"Missionary": R. Williams, J. Simper, S.J. Hobart,
Bert Stone

"Social": J. Williams, Miss Hulster, Miss Crossman,
Miss Crittendon

Date 1898 Programme First Quarter

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Christian Endeavour held Baroota Church together. It continued quite a strong Society until the last World War.

Many of the Local Preachers or the modern term Lay Preachers, started as leaders of Christian Endeavour in the district of Baroota.

In the early beginning members were addressed as Brothers and Sisters.
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Associate Members

| Brother Bert Stone               |
| Sister W.J. McDougall            |

Closed 15th May 1943
Mrs. Mary McDougall was the last Secretary.
BAROOTA HALL 1881 - 1893

The land for this church was given by Mr. John Sherriff soon after the Baroota Cattle Track Church on Beyer's Corner was opened in 1881. This was in the corner of land now owned by Colin and Gwen Mudge. The name Baroota is an aboriginal work meaning Sandalwood.

The first building made of weatherboard was burnt down and a new building of stone erected. It was used as a school and District Hall, as well as church.

This building closed as a place of worship in 1893 because of the close proximity to the Baptist Church (later known as Mambray Church).

The Baroota and Mambray Creek Methodist Ladies Guild held meetings and every November a Strawberry Fete in this Hall. There were the usual stalls, games, Hoop la etc., and crowds were large. The Hall had a jarrah floor and today many remember the dances they attended there. Eventually the building was demolished when the Highway widened in the mid 1960's.
MANBRAY BAPTIST - LATER MANBRAY METHODIST CHURCH 1885 - 1952

A Baptist Church was built on section 138C, being portion of land owned by Mr. George Phillis and opened on 26/7/1885.

At a Quarterly meeting in January 1897 it was reported that "Believing the transfer of Baroota Baptist Church, to the Bible Christian Connexion would promote the spiritual welfare of the District, we request the District Meeting to consider the desirability of asking Conference to approach the Baptist Union on the subject."

At the July 1899 Quarterly Meeting (the first held at Port Germein for the whole Circuit) it was moved that Manbray Creek Church be placed on the Plan as a Preaching Place. At the same meeting it was also moved "that the envelope system be adopted throughout the Circuit and the Circuit Stewards attend to it".

Mr. S.T. Hebant was placed on the plan as a preacher at the same meeting.

10.7.1907 the Circuit paid 13/- a quarter rent for the Church. Last recorded rent was on 31.12.1910. Later again it was rented from 1916 - 1925 by the Methodist Church.

The Church of England used the Church during this time, a Church Anniversary being held on Sunday October 7th, 1917 with afternoon and evening Services.

It was on 18th November 1917 that the Methodist Hymnal was first used.

There was a close link with the Baptist and Methodist congregations for Mr. Jack Hillam and Mrs. E. Spencer can remember the Baptists using the Baptistry (under the church platform).

In 1925 the Circuit bought the Church with money loaned by Mr. S.J. Broadbear. After the money was repaid a galvanised iron tea-room was built behind the main building. Mr. Bill Munro built the hall with the help of local men.

There were very difficult times financially too, with the rent for the Port Germein Manse charged to the Methodist Union. As the local debt became less it was to be lowered to £3.10.0. There had been a real struggle to build the manse. The early minister worked hard to get the money. Rev. W.O. North's stipend at April 1903 was £50.0.0 and for the next year only £30.0.0. This must have been to allow extra finance for the new manse. The stipend rose to £50.0.0 again, dropping to £30.0.0 in 1906 and rising to £50.0.0 in 1910 but only for a short time. The church provided a buggy and horse in the early years. In 1914 the drought was so bad they could not get enough chaff for the horse, so a motor bike was bought on September 30th for the minister. (No wonder one wife refused to come with her husband to Port Germein). Owen Broadbear remembers driving Rev. J. Nancarrow with horse and buggy to Manquay Creek and in 1915-16 he drove the minister up there in his car.
MAMBRAY BAPTIST - LATER MAMBRAY METHODIST CHURCH 1885 - 1952

Some of the early organists were Miss Lettie Coe (later Dahlenburg), Miss Millie Spencer, Melva Phillis (later Martin), then Mrs. E.G. Spencer. There was a large Sunday School and Mr. S.T. Hobart was Superintendent for many years until he and his wife retired into Port Pirie in 1931. Mr. W.H. Spencer was then Superintendent until Sunday School ceased in that church. Miss Millie Spencer also helped in the Sunday School. Some of the weddings were of Ella Baker to Herb Henderson, Joyce Spencer to Dudley Bagg, Melva Phillis to Alex Martin and Melva Coe to Allan Farr.

Many would remember the Harvest Thanksgiving Services and Church and Sunday School Anniversaries with Tea Meetings, combining with Baroota Church. Each closed for the others Special Services; even the school closed early so that all could attend the Tea Meeting and Concert - there was usually two sittings at the teas.

Mambray managed a choir for special occasions. Mr. Merv Phillis, Mr. Gill Walters, (bass), Lorna and Rhene Hoskins, Ella Baker, Ellie Commons among others. Now heartily the congregation sang "We plough the fields and scatter the good seed on the ground".

On April 9th 1949 the Mambray Methodist Church Trustees held a meeting at Mr. W.H. Spencer's. Those present were Pastor Ruddoch, in the Chair, Messrs J. Hillam, B. Coe, W. Spencer, Os Hobart and John Spencer, Secretary. The meeting was to discuss the closing of the Church because of Highway No. 1.

"Claim for sale of church property to Highways Department:

1. Cost of land in new location £5.0.0, subject to Highways Department bearing all transfer costs.
2. Value of Church building as it stands £779.1.0.
3. Church Hall cost of removal from present site and re-erection on new site £55.0.0.
4. Erection of post and wire fence on new property £15.0.0.
5. Valuation costs paid by Trustees to Gordon Brown, valuator £10.0.0.
6. Inconvenience and upset will be considerable with present day shortage of labour and material, contractors being at Port Pirie, 50 miles away.

The building of the new church necessitated new furnishings and complete new fittings. We the Trustees will lose much valuable time in the oversight and conduct of this business. There will be quite an amount of travelling involved and expense of same. There will be considerable costs involved in providing accommodation during the time between vacating present building and occupying new one."
Also the trustees will be faced with the difficult problem of financing new building schemes and raising funds. Again while we cannot express the value of the sentimental associations of members and adherants of this church in terms of money, it is with deep regret that we are obliged to dispose of the property for £353.0.0, making a total of £1,247.1.0. This was seconded and carried. The meeting closed with the Benediction."

January 19th, 1952, with Pastor E. Deutscher in the chair and the same trustees they decided that on February 4th they would begin moving to the new site.

"Os Hobart proposed; on Friday 25th January at 3 p.m. J. Hillam, W. Spencer and E. Deutscher measure the Hall and peg out the new site. Seconded W. Spencer. J. Hillam moved they better procure the assistance of a tradesman to assist in the removal of the Hall. Seconded B. Cox."

W. Spencer was to procure the necessary paint, 7 lbs of roofing nails, 6 lbs of 4 inch nails and order 2 tons of cement through Elders and Co. and Mr. Deutscher and Secretary, John Spencer were authorised to procure any other items for re-erection of Hall. There isn't mention of a tradesman."

On the 25.4.1953 the church at Hambray Creek was opened.

First Quarterly Meeting at Port Germein - 1st July 1899

Present - R.H. Lee (in Chair), A. Williams, A. March, J. Webb, with Hambray Creek mentioned.

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HAMBRAY CREEK CHURCH 1953 - 1961

This church was built near the Railway Siding where there were five cottages and the school. The site is now on Mr. Les Coe's property. People went to this church from the recently closed Hambray Church (i.e. formerly Baptist).

For the opening on 25.4.1953 the church was made most attractive and the wall vases full of flowers. A large crowd attended and Rev. T.C.O. Patrick was the preacher.

Mr. W.H. Spencer continued as Superintendent of the Sunday School which was well attended for a few years, but numbers declined until there were only the Spencer families attending.

The usual Anniversaries and Harvest Thanksgiving Services were celebrated combining with Baroota as before. At one Ladies Guild Service, with Mrs Richies (W.P.'s wife from Port Augusta) giving the address, and Mrs Joyce Webb the Children's Address, both had chosen the same text with different stories!

Membership was down in all churches and in 1961 Rev. Neil Michael was shared with Port Pirie. He and his wife were newly weds, Port Germain Manse being their first home.

This was the year Hambray Creek closed and joined Baroota and Port Germain.
Many people came to this area at the beginning of settlement and with the large families there was soon need for a school and place of worship, the early settlers being God-fearing folk.

A building was erected by locals to be used as church and school near the Baroota Whim, the Whim being an early district watering place.

In 1883-1891 Mr. H.S. Davenport taught the children as a private teacher paid by the parents. He was also a lay preacher. There were up to 25 - 30 students. The yearly salary was £58.17.6.

In 1892 the Education Department supplied a teacher, Mr. W.C. Rodgers.

Services were held in the building from 1883 to 1916. The names of the Local Preachers in 1900 were Mr. A. Williams, Mr. William Hobart, Mr. S.T. Hobart, Mr. John Simper, the Christian Endeavour Band, Mr. E. Jago, Mr. John McDougall and Mr. John Sherriff. Later church records show lists of Local Preachers and Ministers.

Phil Williams travelled to take Services at Baroota Whim before he was married. The Quarterly Meeting records showed collections on the balance sheet up to 1916.

In the early 1900's many left the district - the Wheaton's back to Redhill, the Simper, Flugge, Rasborough, Strickland, McDougall, Orr and Hobart families moving to Katanning and Wagin area (W.A.).

The Church probably closed because of families moving away and because of the sand drift after the 1914 drought. Of those left most went to Mambry Church.

We are indebted to diaries kept by Mr. William Hobart and Mr. Samuel Thomas Hobart.

Mrs. Lillian Collins (nee Palmer) has brought back to the district a bible used in Baroota Whim Services, a Hymnal, and a Sankey's song book.
BANGOR CHURCH 1954 - 1960

The first services were held in the school by the Salvation Army, who came from Wirrabara to take the services. Mrs. Beryl Seymour (nee Joyce) went to Sunday School, along with others at Bangor. Later, Booleroo Centre Methodist were responsible for the services in the school.

During 1954-60 the Bangor Church was part of the Port Germein Circuit. Services were held every fortnight at 11 a.m. Sunday School was also conducted and records show there were seventeen scholars and two teachers. This continued until 1960 when Pastor Ross Simpson left. There appears to be no services on the preaching plan after that.

Trustees for the church were Mr. Victor H. Blight and Mr. Keith L. Hollitt.
PORT GERMEIN 1881 -

Early Services were held in the home of Thomas and Angela Glasson about two miles out of the town. Thomas used to play the flute to the singing. Also at the home of Captain Mortuse, Captain Kincome and Captain Murdock, (in the hundred of Telowie).

Services were held in the Pier Hotel (now known as the Beach Cafe).

In 1881 the Bible Christian Connexion decided a Church should be built at Port Germein. Several farmers promised sand and stone. The materials cost £45.0.0. The Church was opened in September 1881. The Glasson's and Henderson's took a leading part in the first services. Thomas Glasson continuing to accompany the singing with his flute.

The first Quarterly Meeting of which there are records was on 5.1.1901. the Minister was Rev. W.O. North: Arthur Williams and John Webb were Circuit Stewards. Later Samuel Broadbear was also a Circuit Steward. Some early Trustees were Captain Kincome, William Head, S. Trewartha, Mr. Pennyfield, Mr. Newbold, Thomas Dunstan, C.E. Alford 1922, O.L. Broadbear 1922. It is not known when the organ was bought, but on August 26th, 1910 one pound was paid for tuning the organ.

There are early records of Manses in the area, but doubt as to location...whether in Port Germein or country. The first Manse was built about 1895. They all worked hard with a bank loan of 25 pounds. There were many donations. The installing of an underground tank was postponed so as not to enlarge the Manse Debt.

There is record of a Trustee meeting held at the Manse at Port Germein 6th April, 1899. R.H. Lee was Chairman, others being G. Stone and A. Williams. The main item of business was a scheme to reduce the Manse Debt. They adopted a "penny a week" system and other suggestions to raise money were that each farmer give an acre of crop.

Talk of Methodist Union upset some people who resigned from their positions. On 2nd October, 1896 Mr. Bews wrote tendering his resignation as a Trustee: He was "respectfully asked to reconsider his resignation as secretary of the Trust" - In a meeting on 23rd January 1897 Mr. Bews resignation was reluctantly accepted.

Rev. W.F. James was the minister at this time. After Union (1st January 1900) the Rev. F.R. French was there in 1906. Meetings were later held in the Dahlenburg residence and the old CWA rooms.

On 30.12.1909 it was decided to erect a new W.C. the cost not to exceed £3.10.0, Howard and Bowley to do the work. For the first time there was a credit of £2.18.2 in the bank book.
In 1912 the Trust wrote Rev. C.E. Williams concerning his excess water, requesting he forward a cheque for £8.8.0. On 26th August, 1925 the meeting wanted to spend the money on a verandah floor that was previously raised for a picket fence. The Chairman was most unhappy about that decision saying he raised the money for a fence, and that was what he wanted. After lengthy discussion it was decided to put up the fence. The verandah remained uncemented until the arrival of Rev. Kunst in 1945 when Owen Broadbear, Mr. Andrew and Mr. Callis helped with construction.

At the same meeting Mr. S.J. Broadbear brought forward for consideration the necessity of having the telephone connected to the manse, but "cold water was thrown on the idea, and it froze". Two years later there were records of telephone accounts being paid. There are numerous entries in trust records to purchase materials for the upkeep of the manse, such as sash cords for the windows, white lead, colouring, etc. to paint the woodwork on the outside of the Manse.

Rev. E.S. Jew (1942-43) was stationed at Solomontown and it was decided to let the Manse at 22/6 furnished, or 15/- unfurnished: one front room and one back room to be kept for Trust's use and for storage.

It is on record that Pastor W.J.C. Kunst lived in the Manse in 1945 and the manse remained in use until 1961 when Neil Michael was at Port Germein. At this time the church became part of Port Pirie Circuit and the Manse eventually sold for $2,000 and this money given towards the new Manse for Trinity. Mr. L.J. Mudge was secretary of the Manse Trust from 1962 until it ceased in 1973, and it was agreed the minute books be sent to the Archives 18.3.1973. Rev. Doug Jones was Chairman.

Sunday School was first held in the Glasson home, then in the Church building and up until recent years there was always an active Sunday School. People were called to worship by the ringing of the church bell and when the Church of England bell pealed a little later, they knew it was time to hurry.

The Choir and Organist used to be in the back of the Church - Miss Mabel Trevartha was one of the first organists. Choir members in 1916 were Mrs. L. Dahlenburg, Mrs Hall, Mr. Dick Hanna (Tenor), Mr. E. Trevartha (Bass). Later the Choir moved to the front, on the platform with the members being Tom, Richard and Addie Glasson, Bill McMurtrie, Norm and Daisy Harvey, Freda Dahlenburg, Inez & Irvan Hall.

On 27.3.1914 the Rev. Harris was Chairman of the S.S. Meeting which decided to hold the usual picnic on Easter Monday in Glasson's Creek. They decided to spend 25/- on prizes and to hold a cricket match between Germein and the invited Sunday Schools from Baroona and the Whim.
It was also suggested that Mr. Steward with his drum and fife band be invited - Mr. Steward was also to be asked to join the Anniversary with his violin. Later that picnic had to be postponed because of an epidemic among the children, but was held on 1st July, and proved a great success. Those involved in the Sunday School at that time were Mr. & Mrs S. Broadbear, Miss Kennedy, Miss M. Trewarthia, Miss Lena Sharp, Mrs Harris, Mrs Head and Mr. Morris Fuller.

Rev. R.V. Crump died during his appointment - he was present at a meeting on 7.5.1917 when it was decided that due to the war and distress of the country there would be a tea-meeting instead of a Picnic. This was repeated again in 1918 due to the Peace celebration. 11.6.1929 the picnic was held at the mouth of the Gorge.

Mrs Ida McCallum (nee Spencer) was Superintendent of the kindergarten from 1925 until she married on 5.4.1938. The Church Hall was opened in 1926. This was upgraded over the years, and in 1966 a new kitchen and toilet block was added.

In 1968 the wall on the south side of the church was thoroughly treated with Dri-wall. Over the years the dampness coming through has been of great concern. During the 50’s and 60’s the Youth Club was active, even organising a special Youth Service occasionally.

In 1968 the notice board was changed to read "Port Pirie United Parish" and then in 1977 with the joining of Presbyterian congregation and Methodist Denominations to the Uniting Church of Australia.

While Pastor Ross Simpson was living in Port Germein (1957-58) some of the Ministers from Port Pirie would come out to chair the meetings, such as Rev. F. Willms and Rev. Newton Miller. Later on after 1961, the Ministers from Pirie who had oversight of Port Germein Church were Rev. Don Holt, Rev. Ian Moulton, Rev. Kelvin Benn. Some of the Trustees at this time were K. Hellitt, O.I. Broadbear, L. Hudge, V. Blight, E. Hillam, P. Williams, J. Spencer, T. Hobart, J.F. Pole, L.A. Broadbear, R.A. Hobart, J.M. Hillam, C.K. Franklin, (1966). Rev. Mervyn Norman came out from Pirie in 1969, also Rev. Frank Woods, Rev. Alf Blake and Rev. Doug Jones.

Following these, the Revs Alan George, Doug Allington, David Hunnerup and Lindsay Faulkner ministered to the congregation. Mrs. Loraine Tubb, Lay Preacher, (Parish Assistant) is the present Pastoral worker.
The following is the list of appointments to Port Germein until the amalgamation with Port Pirie.

The years 1930, 1932, 1944, 1956, 1959, 1960 and 1962 show O.T.B.S. (one to be sent) against Port Germein but the years read:-

**Circuit:-**

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Minutes of Manse Trustee Meeting held in the Port Jenner Church Room 13th 1907.

Present: W. F. French (Chair), W. J. Thomas, John Poole, C. R. Rollerberg.

The financial statement was read given by the Chairman. Mr. J. Poole proposed to Mr. W. Thomas seconded: "That the spare furniture be sold, if Dr. McLean should leave the Manse, then all furniture to be sold." Mr. J. Poole seconded to Mr. W. Thomas seconded: "If the manse is vacated a meeting to be called at once and steps taken immediately to secure a tenant." The meeting closed with the Benediction.
Baroola Whim

Mambray Baptist

THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE EXTRACTS FROM CIRCUIT PLANS DURING 1918 to 1961 . . . . . . . . . .
Methodist Preachers’ Plan.

PORT GERMEIN CIRCUIT, 1918.

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"Pray without ceasing, and work while you pray."—1 Thess. xvi. 21.

"Lo, I am with you always."—Matt. xxviii. 20.

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**Balance Sheet for Quarter ending Dec. 31, 1918.**

**INCOME**
- Post Germein—collections ... £ 6 0
- Baroota—collections ... £ 8 8
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- Baroota—collections ... £ 4 8

**EXPENDITURE**
- Deficiency 1st quarter ... £ 2 19 5
- Minister’s expenses ... £ 3 0 0
- Plane ... £ 1 15 0
- Expenses & Supplies ... £ 1 10 0
- Blacksmiths account ... £ 0 6 0
- Credit balance ... £ 3 1 9

£ 56 0 7

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Parents are requested to have their children dedicated to the Church.

The Minister will be glad to be informed of all cases of sickness.

Will the Poor Stewards kindly arrange for Sacrament when planned?

The Quarterly Meeting will be held in April.

S—Sacramento.
HT—Harvest Thanksgiving.
SSA—Sunday School Anniversary.
CA—Church Anniversary.

MARRIAGES SOLEMNIZED BY THE MINISTER.

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PREACHERS.

Rev. H. S. Atkins, Port Germein
T. Hubert, Mambrey
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# Methodist Preachers' Plan

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Local Preachers' meeting, March 15.

Quarterly Meeting—March 22, at Baroota, 8 p.m.

Marriages solemnized by the Minister.

CP—Choir Practice.  S—Sacrament.  CE—Christian Endeavour.  BC—Bible Class.  CA—Church Anniversary.

## Circuit Stewards—

**1927-28**

Mr. S. J. Broadbear and Mr. W. J. McDougall.

**Church Stewards—**

**Germain**—Mr. S. Broadbear

Mr. O. Broadbear

**Baroota**—Mr. R. Williams

Mr. L. Heyer

**Mambray**—Mr. F. C. Palmer

Mr. J. Spencer

**Communion Stewards—**

Mrs. R. Williams

Mrs. R. Williams

Mrs. Hobart

Mrs. Hobart

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**1929**

Mr. S. J. Broadbear and Mr. W. J. McDougall.

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Mr. O. Broadbear

**Baroota**—Mr. R. Williams

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**Communion Stewards—**

Mrs. A. Smith

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## Balance Sheet for Quarter ending Dec. 1928

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## Preachers

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Mrs. Hobart

## Helpes

Mr. C. W. Lobban

Mr. T. Harper

Mr. J. Williams

Mr. W. McDougall

Mr. F. D. Seabrook
Quarterly Meeting decided to alter the form so as to provide space for notes each quarter. We greatly appreciate the opportunity thus given to express our thanks to the members of our congregations at all centres for the cordiality of their hospitality and cooperation.

To our local preachers we are also grateful for the splendid services they render. It has been remarked that there is a falling off in attendance at local preachers' services. This is to be regretted, and we would point out to members that no man, whether minister or layman, can speak at his best to empty pews. Pews, however good in quality, when empty are dull and uninviting, and an audience are conduction for inspiration. Give these men of your heat and they will give of theirs.

At the end of the June quarter circuit finance was very low, but thanks to the generosity of a number of friends throughout the circuit considerable improvement is shown in the current balance sheet. To those who made donations of wheat and cash we desire to say again "Thank you."

May the coming quarter find us drawing closer to God and in fellowship with one another. We are thankful to all who have taken up the challenge of the Christian life and who are endeavouring to serve God and their fellowmen.

Our circuit has suffered very severe losses in the departures of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McDougall of Barooga, and Miss Ida Spencer of Port Germain, to other spheres of activity.

Mr. McDougall played many parts in our church life, notably as a Local Preacher, Choirmaster and Church Organist. He was also an ardent member of the Christian Endeavour, and exercised a wonderful influence for good on the lives of the young people of the district. In his work for the Kingdom he was quietly but efficiently supported by Mrs. McDougall, who was an active member of the Ladies' Guild.

Miss Ida Spencer we have lost another active worker, and her long years of service as Secretary of the Port Germain Ladies' Guild, Superintendent of the Kindergarten, and Church Organist at Port Germain, will not readily be forgotten by those who have had the pleasure of cooperating with her.

It is the desire of the Quarterly Meeting that our appreciation of the unswerving loyalty of these young people shall be placed on record, and we trust that in their new surroundings they will find opportunities for the continuance of their labours.

Baptism.—William Kenneth, infant son of Samuel and Myrtle Tee, at Port Germain.

JOHN MC TIER
1927-28

September has been set aside for the Annual Home Mission appeal. The Rev. A. Erwin Vogt, of Port Pirie Central Mission, has been appointed as deputationist. It is hoped that Mr. Vogt will be able to address meetings in each church. Detailed announcements will be given later.

The Port Germein Ladies’ Guild are launching out on a new venture. An Anniversary Service will be held in the Port Germein Church, and will be conducted by members of the Guild aided by a special Ladies’ Choir. We trust that our friends will cooperate to make this venture a splendid success.

Preparations are now well forward for our Annual Spring Show. Although the season does not promise well for the Flower Section, our hopes are high for a repetition of the success attending last year’s effort.

Weddings at Port Germein: 5th April, Ada Emily Spencer to Andrew Collin Gladstone McCallum; 11th April, Florence Eva Ottaway to August Victor Ramke. Baptism: Geoffrey Noel, infant son of Albert Lawrence and Lorna Marcia Briggs.

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Jesus Christ is often fettered by the inactivity and manifest disinterestedness of His people. Time was when Jesus moved among men in person. He now works through men and women who are his followers. He has no workers apart from men and women, and if we spend our time in idleness and inactivity then we are fettering Him and hindering the onward march of His kingdom. When church members grow careless about church matters and become inactive in church work, then the cause of Christ suffers most.

JOHN McTIER.

1939

CIRCUIT NOTES.

Our December Quarterly Meeting at Germein was well attended despite the fact that a number of members were unavoidably absent owing to an epidemic of mumps, etc. After the usual business was discussed the Circuit Stewards thanked the members of the Ladies’ Guild for their entire efforts during the year.

Mr. J. C. Stanley, of the S.A. Temperance Alliance, visited the Circuit and delivered an inspiring address in each Church.

Christmas Sunday Services were held in each Church, and the Christmas message was faithfully delivered. Though we are living in troublsome times, the message of goodwill means the same to us, and we pray that peace among men may soon be our portion once more.

In the coming year Messrs. J. Hillam and W. J. McDougall will again fill the positions of Circuit Stewards.

G. DUNN.

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BALANCE SHEET for Quarter ended 30th September, 1938.

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W. J. McDougall, J. M. Hillam, Circuit Stewards.
During the past quarter Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held in each Church with good congregations to praise God the giver of every good and perfect gift.

Easter Services also were well attended.

Special Services in the coming quarter will be held on Mothers' Day, and the Christian Endeavour Anniversary at Baroota on June 16.

Our sympathy is extended to Mr. A. Welford and family, also to Mrs. L. Beyer and family in the loss of their loved ones. We pray for God's blessing on the bereaved.

The Rev. T. N., Simpson, of New Britain, will be with us on Friday evening, June 7, in the interests of our Overseas Missions, and on Sunday, June 9, collections for the day will be given to support that worthy cause.

WEDDINGS—
John William Wauchop to Kathleen Lucy Welford at Baroota on January 31.
Gerard Gordon Bliescheke to Edna Silicenci Strickland at Port Germein, February 2.

DEATHS—
Mrs. A. Welford on March 16 at Port Pirie.
Mr. L. Beyer on April 1 at Baroota.

1940 CIRCUIT NOTES. G. DUNN.

A profitable day was spent by the delegates from our Sunday Schools at the S.S. Convention held at Jamestown. Instructive advice was given by several speakers on the various departments of our Sunday School work, followed by a soul-searching address given by our Chairman, Rev. D. T. Redden, emphasizing the point, "What must I do?"

On the 15th June the Christian Endeavour Anniversary was held at Baroota with good congregations. We were pleased to have the President of the C.E. Union for the North Western District, Rev. A. E. Vogt, of Pirie, to conduct the afternoon service.

A visit from Port Pirie Christian Endeavour Union representatives, including Revs. A. E. Vogt, C. Fox and Pastor Cook, proved instructive and encouraging to our Societies, with testimonies, vocal items, and an address by Rev. A. E. Vogt was enjoyed by all.

G. DUNN.

1941 CIRCUIT NOTES.

Our Quarterly Meeting with the Rev. E. S. Jew presiding was held at Mambray and well attended.

A visitor to our Circuit during the quarter was Setarekei Tui Lavini, of Fiji, in the interests of our Overseas Missions. Inspired by God, Setarekei helped us to realise not only the work our missionaries are doing, but the need for us to continue to support them in their Christ-like work.

The Rev. W. J. Bailey, of the Young People's Department, met the Superintendents and teachers of our Sunday Schools at Baroota, and a profitable time was spent. An address by Rev. W. J. Bailey on the importance of the teacher's work—its opportunities, problems and responsibilities.

We record with regret the passing of Mr. R. Williams, a loyal Christian and Church Steward for many years. All who knew him loved him. His great life is ended, but there remains a very precious memory with the many who were proud to call him friend. Our hearts go out in sympathy to his widow and family. May the comfort of the great Heavenly Father be theirs.

DEATH—Mr. R. Williams, on May 12th. at Baroota.

G. DUNN.

CIRCUIT STEWARDS—

Mr. W. J. McDougall (Senior). Mr. J. M. Hillam (Junior).

CHURCH STEWARDS—COMMUNION STEWARDS—

Germein—Mr. S. Broadbear. Mrs. S. Broadbear.
Mr. O. Broadbear.
Baroota—Mr. R. Williams, Mrs. R. Williams.
Mr. L. Beyer.
Mambray—Mr. J. Spencer, Miss M. Spencer.
Mr. G. Walter.

Stewards 1941
Mambray—Mr. J. Spencer.
Mr. R. Phillips.
1945

PASTORAL MESSAGE

As your newly appointed minister, I plead the united support and sympathy of all members and adherents to our churches. It is only by the united efforts of all, and our realization of our dependence upon our Heavenly Father that we can hope to win through in these days of national distress. Our faces should ever be turned towards the sunrise, ever conscious of God’s goodness and all-sufficiency, counting it a joy to be regarded as worthy of taking some part, however small, in His great scheme. Someone has said that “Life has a burden for every man’s shoulders, but Christ has a burden for every man’s burden,” so cast thy burdens on the Lord and He will sustain thee.

May God richly bless our united effort for the extensions of His Kingdom and welfare of His Church.

Time marches on! Are we marching with it? Are we keeping pace with what the world is requiring of each one of us? It is a personal question and it is only ourselves that can answer it; truly the world expects us to make demands on each one of us. The Church must be up and doing, something positive. There are big issues at stake and we must take that view of things and see that everything goes God’s basis, otherwise it will not stand. There is an individual responsibility resting on each one of our Church. If one weakens the cause suffers. Don’t be the shirk.

Our first Quarterly Meeting since our coming was held at Mr. W. Spencer’s at Marburg, was well attended and a very fine spirit prevailed, and good reports were received from all churches in the Circuit. Each church will be holding its Anniversary services during this quarter, and the money’s collection is solicited.

Our thanks are due to the Baroona Ladies’ Guild for their donations raised for the Circuit at their Mothers’ Day gift evening; also to the local preachers and others for their assistance rendered the Circuit.

Our thanks is also due to God for His goodness for the bountiful rain received and relieving the poverty of our people of this and other districts.

W. J. C. KUNST.

1945-46

“Come unto Me all ye that are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” We feel that at this present time these words should hold a special significance for many of our people who have been, and others who are still in the throes of sickness and anxiety. Much sickness has prevailed among our people during the last quarter, and we are pleased to learn that Mr. J. Hiltam, who has been so sick, is on the road to recovery.

At the time of writing arrangements are in full swing for the “Country Garden Fete” to be held at Germein. We are hoping for a very successful event, and also for the Baroona Strawberry Fair, to be held on Nov. 10th.

To those who have been bereaved of loved ones, we offer heartfelt sympathy.

Here this plan expires we will have reached the Festive Christmas Season, and I take this opportunity of expressing the season’s greetings to all our people, and pray that each will do all in their power to extend the spirit of peace on earth and goodwill to all men.

W. J. C. KUNST.

CHURCH STEWARDS:

Pt. Germein—Mr. Broodeer, Mr. E. Callis.
Baroona—Mr. F. McDougall, Mr. Hobart.
Mambray—Mr. J. Spencer.

COMMUNION STEWARDS:

Baroona—Mr. R. Williams.
Mambray—Miss M. Spencer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS:

Pt. Germein—Miss Henderson.
Baroona—Mr. J. Hiltam.
Mr. P. Williams (Assistant).

PASTORAL MESSAGE 1947

Conference has seen fit to leave us in this Circuit for another term, and we seek the co-operation of the people to make this year the best, that Christ may be made real to the unbelieving world. It needs wholehearted co-operation and prayer to accomplish this, they may not realise their need; they express many wants but fail to realise that it is in Christ alone they will find the peace they are seeking.

During the quarter we have sustained a severe loss by the death of one of our oldest members, Mr. E. Williams. She was a devoted member to her church, and her interest in everything in connection with it was keen. Her sincere devotion endeared her to the hearts of all our members.

During the quarter we are to receive a visit from the representatives of the South Australian Alliance, and we trust that you will give them a royal welcome.

Will the people please promptly report all cases of sickness to me.

W. J. C. KUNST.

INCOME:

Port Germein T. Offering 7 18 10
Sale of Fruit . 4 6
Barron T. Thank Offering . 15 6 6
Subscriptions . 1 0 0
Wedding Fees . 3 0 0
Mambray T. Thank Offering 6 11 1
Interest . 1 4 0

£34 9 11
£108 3 7
£143 13 6

EXPENDITURE:

Minister’s Stipend . 55 0 0
Travelling Allowance . 10 0 0
Children’s Fund . 1 2 3
Connectional Fund . 1 0 0
Removal Expenses . 15 0 0
Ministerial Training Fund . 1 0 0
Plans . 1 6 0
Telephone Rent . 1 2 0
Telephone Calls . 1 4 0
Church Journal . 3 6
Baptism Registrar . 1 2 6

£74 16 4
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W. J. C. KUNST.

PASTORAL MESSAGE 1947

We have had cause for great rejoicing to know that during this last quarter many of our brave men, whom we have been remembering at the Throne of Grace, have been freed of their imprisonment, and others have been released from active service for our country. We are anxious that these men be given their rightful place in our midst. But to those who have been bereaved of loved ones we offer our sincere sympathy.

Peace has been proclaimed in the Pacific, but it rests with each of us as individuals to see that peace reigns in our midst. Now that we have won the war, do not let us lose the peace. This cannot be won unless we build on a sure foundation, Jesus Christ. All nations are clamouring for supremacy, but let us not forget that “the nation which forgets God will surely die.”

Considerable renovations have been carried out at the Manse, and the Manse Trust are anxious to extend it to those who helped in the “Busy Bee” their thanks for helping in this work. There is still more to be done and we hope in the near future to get this work completed.

W. J. C. KUNST.
PASTORAL MESSAGE

In presenting this new plan one is responsible to the responsibilities which it brings. To the preacher, it is not merely an opportunity to deliver so many sermons, but, with St. Paul, "that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus." Not long since it was thought that the stress of the times tended to make men less sure of themselves, and incline them towards God. However, it cannot be denied that today witnesses a good deal of self-indulgence, and to many God is simply a safe retreat when life troubles him. The tragedy of wasted lives chasing mere bubbles is enough to make angels weep. The hour challenges God's people to greater consecration. Instead of permitting the world to call the tune we must, by fidelity to our Lord, emphasise the Christian virtues and by contrast expose the deceitfulness of the Devil. God challenges—"Are we prepared to follow?"

We regret the passing of one of our faithful members of Mambray, the late Mrs. J. Spencer. We thank God for her faithful witness, and extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy. We remember also in our prayers the sick.

W. J. C. KUNST

Circuit Officials.

CHURCH STEWARDS:
Baroora—Mr. F. McDougall
Mr. Hobart, T.W.
Mambray—Mr. J. Spencer

COMMUNION STEWARDS:
Pt. Germein—Mrs. Broadhead
Baroora—Mr. W. Williams
Mambray—Miss M. Spencer

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS:
Baroora—Mr. J. Hillam.
Mr. P. Williams (Assistant)

PORT GERMEIN METHODIST CIRCUIT.

Minister:
Pastor W. J. C. Kunst

PLAN OF SERVICES

NOVEMBER, DECEMBER AND JANUARY, 1947-48

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R.S.—Remembrance Sunday
Next Quarterly Meeting to be held Tuesday, January 8th, at 3 p.m., at Pt. Germein

REFERENCES: S.—Sacrament; C.A.—Church Anniversary; S.S.A.—Sunday School Anniversary; H.T.—Harvest Thanksgiving; M.D.—Mothers' Day; L.G.A.—Ladies' Guild Anniversary.

NOTICES: Baroora Ladies' Guild meets on fourth Saturday in the month.

PORT GERMEIN CIRCUIT PLAN, 1947-8

BALANCE SHEET

For Quarter Ending 30th Sept., 1947

INCOME
Port Germein T. Offering     6 2 9
Subscription                   5 0 0
Baroora T. Offering            13 1 6
Subscriptions                  1 1 0
Mambray T. Offering            5 3 6
Montes Collected for         
Home Mission                   24 15 6
Babies' Home                    2 4 0
Social Service                   3 12 9
Overseas Mission               6 10 10
Credit Bal. Last Quarter       277 2 9
141 12 0

EXPENDITURE
Minister's Allowance           55 0 0
Travelling Allowance            7 10 0
Manse                           2 0 0
Connexion Charges              1 19 0
Removal Charges                 15 9
Ministerial Fund                1 1 0
H.M. Retirement Fund           1 10 0
Montes Collected for          
H.M. (including one         
Sunday's Coll.)                26 9 6
Social Service                  3 12 9
Babies' Home                    3 4 0
Overseas Mission                5 10 10
Plains                          1 6
Phone Rent                      1 12 6
Calls                           7 6
Sacrificial Wine                2
112 13 7
Credit Bal. This Quarter       253 12 5
141 12 0

F. J. SPENCER

Circuit Stewards: J. M. HILLAM
Thank you for the friendship and hospitality that has turned the duty of calling on you into a real pleasure for Mrs. Wisdom and myself. We are looking forward to completing the Circuit now that Germain Sunday School Anniversary is over.

You will be interested to note the following dates:—The Church Anniversary at the Merriott on the 8th. Home Mission Sunday, Sept. 8th. On August 30th and 31st the H.M. Field Secretary will show colour films of the Island, South East and Northern Areas. These should be very interesting and especially educational for the young ones.

The Rev. R. C. Guthrie, of the Port Pirie Central Mission has undertaken to visit Port Pirie Circuit patients in Port Pirie Hospital. Please notify either him or me of any known cases.

PLEASE NOTE: To meet requests that have been made: Quarterly Meeting has given Mambrey three evening services and Germain three afternoons, relying on those who made the requests to support these services. If these services are successful the somewhat promised Quarterly Meeting has agreed that they shall be continued.

E. G. C. WISDOM.

1948-49

The Circuit Stewards desire to express their thanks to the donors for their response to the Thanksgiving Appeal. It is fitting that I should express the appreciation and gratitude which Mrs. Reddock and I feel for the very kindly and helpful reception we received at the Manse upon our arrival in Port Germain. We had heard it reported by the end of the earth the Australians were a warm hearted and generous people and we have now proved it for ourselves.

We had not heard of Australian "Snow Storms" such as we witnessed on Easter Monday, nor had we heard of the term "Busy Bee," but being initiated into such wonders we are grateful, and we desire to express our thanks for the "Busy Bee" at the Manse. Not for getting to say thanks to the Angels, who washed the dishes; and those who laid the tables in the Hall. We would express thanks to the Ladies' Guild in their efforts and gifts for the Manse. Paul, Anne and Irene are especially grateful for the heater in the bathroom. Paul thinks it wonderful.

Experience has taught me when enjoying a welcome to consider what may be the richness of the farewell. As we labor together, each doing the work which we have been appointed, as we worship and study the scriptures together, may our lives be enriched and knit together in Christian love. I trust and pray that my ministry among you may be rich and fruitful, that there may be much giving of thanks and glory to God.

E. G. C. WISDOM.

1949-50

The Barossa Church Anniversary was very successful. The special speaker for the weekend, the Rev. French, gave three soul-stirring addresses. The attendance was up to expectation, and the tone of the services was rich and helpful, thanks to the choir and other workers.

White stands for fine work that has been done; for the preparation of the Germain Church Anniversary yet the attendance at these services was very disappointing. We are grateful to the choir, which worked hard and pulled out a very fine performance. We had excellent speakers: the Rev. Shack, of Port Pirie, in the afternoon, and Mr. S. Davis, of Broad Creek, in the evening.

I am grateful to all my pea pickers; they did a very fine job. We are indebted to Bex, Priestley and Eric Hillam for their generous donation of peas (220 lbs). I very much appreciated the help they gave in sawing up the bags, after weighing in the peas; and despatching the bags to Melbourne.

I also wish to thank Mr. R. Crittenden for his bounteous gift of six acres of peas (174 lbs). Not forgetting to say thank you to Mr. Clout and his willing workers on the field. While the final result of this effort are not yet known the £60 debt on the kindergarten has been cleared, and another £40 is given to the Methodist Home Mission. We will have over £200 for Church and Kindergarten renovations. In appreciation of this effort quite a number of friends have sent gifts for the work of God in Port Germain.

D. H. RUDDOCK.
CIRCUIT NOTES
1950

We welcome Pastor and Mrs. E. H. Deutscher and family into our circuit for the coming year, and trust God will use them greatly in this district.

The Overseas Mission Secretary will be in our district in June, and we ask you to come along to support the cause. We thank the local preachers for help during the month of April.

At our Quarterly Meeting it was resolved to add groove to give donations of pew to assist Circuit funds.

J. W. HILLIARD.

CIRCUIT NOTES
1951

We are now happily settled at the Manse after a few minor trials, such as delays in the arrival of bedding and furniture. We wish to thank all for their warm welcome on arrival and those who supplied our immediate needs.

The hills, as viewed from the study window, are a constant delight and source of inspiration. The sea also in the tranquility soothes the soul after the stress of the manifold duties which fall to the lot of a Pastor.

At the last quarterly meeting appreciation was expressed for the way the people of the Circuit gave of their services, directly and indirectly, in putting the Manse in order for our occupancy; which appreciation we, as a family, heartily endorse.

I am hoping during this quarter to visit as many members and adherents as time will permit, as I regard visiting the very important part of the work of a minister.

During the last quarter the high lights were: the Sunday School Teachers' Convention at Gladstone; the visit of the President of Conference, the Rev. W. J. Bailey; and the Sunday School Anniversary, which nearly 40 children sang praises to God. Both the choirmaster and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Hender, deserve great credit for their efforts on the children's behalf.

To sum up, Mrs. Deutscher and I and family are looking forward to a happy and spiritually profitable time at Pt. Germain.

E. H. DEUTSCHER.

CIRCUIT OFFICIALS
1951

Circuit Stewards—Mr. J. Hilliam, Baroosa; Mr. W. Spencer, Manmary.

Church Stewards
PORT GERMAIN
Mr. O. Broadbear
Mr. N. Andrew

Baroosa
Mr. P. McCutcheon
Mr. T. Hobart

BARRA
Mr. J. Hilliam
Mr. P. Williams

MAMBRAY
Mr. J. Spencer
Mrs. Goo

Communion Stewards
Mrs. O. Broadbear

S. B. Stewards
Pastor Deutscher
Mrs. E. H. Deutscher (Kinder.)

Members’ Rep.
Mr. F. H. Prentice

Ladies’ Guild Rep.
Mrs. E. Deutscher

Secretaries—Overseas Missions, Mr. P. Williams; House Mission, Mr. Hobart.

Looking back over the quarter just ending, I am pleased to be able to report steady progress in all aspects of the work of the circuit.

The Young People’s Fellowship, formed at the beginning of the quarter, meets regularly once a fortnight at the Manse, and the attendance of members is highly satisfactory. A happy outcome of this Fellowship is the formation of a Young People’s Choir, which assists greatly at the evening services at Pt. Germain.

Church anniversaries were held at all three churches during the quarter. Firstly at Baroosa on August 27th, then at Port Germain on September 24th, and finally at Manmary on October 8th. The Revd. G. Pemberton, of Port Augusta, was the guest preacher for Manmary Creek at both services. His bright presentation of his message was greatly appreciated by a large congregation. Our special thanks are due to our choirmaster, Mr. L. Hender, and the choir, who provided fine renderings of anthems for each occasion.

Our hearts go out in sympathy to those who have suffered bereavement during the quarter—to Mr. Hilliam and family, to Mr. and Mrs. Hender and family, and to Mrs. Dodson—and we pray that God will comfort and sustain them in their loss.

We welcome Milton Hender to our new plan as a local preacher on probation. We are also looking forward to his help in the Sunday School.

We would like to thank all who so generously donated peas for circuit funds, the result of which is reflected in the very satisfactory state of our finances as shown by our balance sheet.

And now to conclude, as the great Apostle Paul similarly expressed it long ago, “I wish above all things that we may prosper and be in health even as our soul prospers, for soul prosperity is the very foundation of all our well being, both now and the life to come.”

1950-51
E. H. DEUTSCHER.
CIRCUIT NOTES

There have been several events that stand out in memory during the past quarter. The first was the Annual General meeting, held in October. It was a most successful function, with the attendance of the entire congregation, a large number of helpers, and an excellent program of music. The second event was the Harvest Thanksgiving services, followed by a Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 1st. The third event was the annual Barosa Ladies' Guild, in which all the women of the circuit were invited to attend and enjoy the festivities. The fourth event was the Harvest Festival, held on November 19th, which was attended by a large number of people. The final event was the annual Christmas carol service, which was held on December 24th.

Another very happy event was the Spencer-Perche wedding, solemnised at the Port Germain church by the Rev. G. C. Bower, and attended by a large number of people. The bridal party included the bride, groom, and all the members of the wedding party. The ceremony was followed by a reception at the home of the bride's parents.

The 24th of Dec, was visitors' day at the Port Germain Kindergarten, and a special Christmas service with the children, was enjoyed by all.

At the church service in the evening a well-attended family service, attended by the whole congregation, was conducted by the Rev. Mr. McDougall, with Mr. H. E. Truett as the main speaker. The sermon was well received and the service concluded with a beautiful song by the choir.

The Board of Directors has approved the following budget for the current year:

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The budget has been prepared carefully and will help to ensure the financial stability of the church for the coming year.

In reviewing the past quarter, the first events that stand out in memory are the Mother's Day Service, held on May 13th, which was attended by a large number of people. The second event was the Annual General Meeting, held in November, at which a new board of directors was elected. The third event was the Harvest Festival, held on November 19th, which was attended by a large number of people. The final event was the annual Christmas carol service, which was held on December 24th.

In conclusion, we thank God for His many blessings during the past quarter, and look forward with faith to the future.
CIRCUIT NOTES

1951-52

Owing to our Pastor being laid aside for so many weeks, our last plan was much altered, and we do thank our loyal preachers who have so ably and willingly kept our services going. As these notes are being written, Mr. Deutscher has definitely improved in health, and should not be long before he is back with us again. Rev. Martin, from Crystal Brook, conducted the Baroona Church Anniversary Service on August 17th, and all were glad to welcome him back into the circuit. Rev. Longbottom, of Solomonstown, was the preacher for the Port Germain Anniversary Services on Sept. 9th. Both visiting ministers gave great messages to good congregations. We thank Mr. Hender for his services in training both Baroona and Port Germain choirs for the above occasions.

Circuit Jubilee Services and the Community Tea, which were to have been held on 30th. Sept., have been postponed until Sunday, Nov. 4th, when Rev. Stay would be the most preacher at both afternoon and evening services, which will be held in the Institute. The afternoon service will take the form of a P.S.A., and there will be a sacred talkie film at night. Mr. Hender is training a combined choir for that date.

Thanks are due to our people for the excellent financial support for the work of the church in this community, and may all receive a blessing from the act of giving.

Sympathy is extended to members of the Henderson family in the loss of their beloved mother, Mrs. E. Tiller. We were sad to hear of the passing of Mrs. McDougall, who was in Adelaide. We would ask her loved ones to accept our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

"God is our refuge and strength. A very present help in time of trouble."

He indeed gives strength and help sufficient for each day's need.

IRENE DEUTSCHER

CIRCUIT NOTES

1952

It is with gratitude to God for restoration of health that I wish to thank those who have helped me during these months of illness. Our loyal thoughts go out to our dear Queen Elizabeth II, and to all who are mourning the loss of their loved ones. Our thoughts also go out to our young Queen Elizabeth II, and that she will have a long and prosperous reign under God's guidance and protection.

The Port Germain Ladies' Guild held a Christmas Social in December. A thoroughly enjoyable evening's program was presented to a well-attended gathering. During the evening Father Christmas arrived, and presented each child with a present from the tree.

On Saturday, I was privileged to conduct my first service since my illness. Mr. Hender had trained the choir to sing a number of Cornish carols, which was suitably introduced by specially chosen portions of Scripture and a relevant message.

At the recent quarterly meeting it was unanimously decided to thank all donors of loan for Circuit funds, and bags of wheat for the Maune Trust. Also the collectors for their energetic and successful efforts. The Circuit also wishes to express its appreciation of the efforts of all who helped in improving the appearance of the Port Germain Church and Hall.

To conclude, I wish to state how the warmth of the welcome back into the circuit has been a source of encouragement and blessing.

We wish one and all a happy and prosperous year with God's rich blessing over all.

E. H. DEUTSCHER

1952-53

I would like to draw your attention to the heading of this column.

"Our present purpose is to be anxious about things below, and the consecration of our hearts to God, and the use of our gifts for the benefit of others."

On behalf of the Circuit I wish to heartily thank all those who donated so generously to Circuit funds during the last quarter.

The electric light recently installed in the Maune, Church and Milling Hall in Port Germain is functioning excellently and is a great asset to the town.

May this electrical light be a symbol of our increasing spiritual light in the hearts and minds of all.

One of the bright features coming from the simultaneous Mission just concluded is the decision at our Quarterly Meeting to hold regular meetings for Bible Study and Fellowship. We ask God's blessing on this enterprise.

PASTOR E. DEUTSCHER
CIRCUIT NOTES 1953

The main centre of interest and effort for the coming quarter is the Mission to the natives launched and sponsored by the General Methodist Conference. The main purpose is to devise ways and means whereby the person who ordinarily does not go to Church is given an invitation and all possible opportunities to hear the Christian message. So this is a challenge to all the members of the Methodist Church to share in this work by personal invitation to non-church-going friends to come along with them, and by exhorting everyone in their mind, break down the barrier that folk outside Church put up as a sort of self defence of the spirit that seeks to be independent of God and his worship.

It is planned to have special films and a speaker during this quarter which will be advertised later on.

Two visitors during this quarter will be Mrs. Fuller, Sec. of the Women’s Home Mission Association at the end of the month, and Mr. & Mrs. Pitt, Superintendent of the Brightling Boys’ Home at the end of October.

PERSONAL: We regret the passing of two old identities of St. Germaine in the passing of Mrs. C. Clements and Mrs. Geo. Clements. They will both be greatly missed and sympathies are extended to all those near and dear to them. Sympathy is also expressed to Mr. & Mrs. A. Mudge and family in the loss of their son, Eric.

We are pleased to see that Mr. & Mr. Baker of Mambary are their old selves again after their recent illness. Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. L. Mudge, Mr. & Mrs. A. Henderson and Mr. & Mrs. C. Lampre, each on the birth of a daughter.

Please pray for the work of the circuit including the Sunday Schools, Youth Fellowship and Ladies Guilds and for the deepening of our own spiritual lives, that we may be blessed and others through us.

Pastor E. H. Deutscher

CIRCUIT NOTES 1953-54

"God loveth the cheerful giver." How true that verse in the 9th chapter of Corinthians coming to my mind at our Quarterly Meeting recently, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. McDougall of Baroota. For instance, to consider, while holding our Quarterly Meeting at the homes of our members, thus helping to establish a cheerful informal atmosphere in the discussion of the works of God. The giving up of precious time during the busy pea season to enable members concerned to come along, the busy housewife happily preparing and handing around supper at the conclusion of the evening. And to crown all, the generous giving of donations to swell the circuit funds.

The Ladies’ Guild members, declarations, friends and all happily uniting and cheerfully giving. What an inspiration for us the manse to also give of our best in service to you all in the same of our Heavenly Father.

There were three Church Anniversaries on our plan last quarter. The first one at Baroota on August 9th, when Rev. Mr. Spiers, of the Presbyterian Church, Port Pirie, conducted the services. The second at Port Germaine on August 23rd, when Pastor Kunst from Port Broughton conducted two very successful anniversary services. Pastor Kunst and Mrs. Kunst entered into the Reformation by their own spirit by decorating a large congregation attended by an inspiring address.

Personal: Congratulations and best wishes for future happiness to three pairs of newly-weds - Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Deutscher, Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer and Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hilmann.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Les. Coe on the birth of a son - Neville, also Mr. and Mrs. HaroldWebb, who are the happy parents of a young daughter - Barbara Ruth.

EDGAR DEUTSCHER

CIRCUIT NOTES 1953

One again Conference has come and gone, and to our pleasure, decided to re-join us here for another year. We trust that this will be a blessed and spiritually fruitful to all.

This has been a quarter of special activity by the ladies of the circuit. The Port Germaine Annual Fair on March 28th was a great success (gross takings £730), was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The Amateur Hour in the evening caused keen interest for young and old. As well as working hard for this noteworthy event, the combined Ladies’ Guilds have successfully catered for three weddings during the quarter. The ladies certainly pull their weight in the church and sincere thanks are due for their efforts.

An important occasion this quarter is the launching of the Mission to the Nation. All members and adherents are urged to do all in their power to help along this special witness to those outside the church by their prayers and goodwill and co-operation in every way possible.

Please note change in time of beginning Sunday School at Baroota - 2 p.m. instead of 1.30 p.m. instead of 2.30 p.m.

PERSONAL

We are very pleased to welcome into our midst Mr. and Mrs. L. Mudge and Dorothy Broadhead to Milton Helder.

Our best wishes and prayers go with Milton on taking his appointment at Lurinville.

Just as these notes are going to press the sad news has come of the passing away of a former resident of Port Germaine, Mr. Reg. Callis. Sympathy is extended to his family and relatives.

In conclusion, may God’s rich blessing rest on us all this quarter, strengthen and deepen our spiritual life and experience.

PASTOR E. H. DEUTSCHER
CIRCUIT NOTES

Three events among others—the life of the Circuit during the last quarter—continue to stay in our memory. The first was the occasion of the baptism of the three young ladies at the Barossa Church on Sunday, July 4th: Robyn Mudge, Valerie Hill, and Rosalee Hendriksen. The second was the fine attendance and the happy atmosphere at the quarterly meeting on July 4th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Spencer, at Hamblin, when our new chairman of the district, R. F. C. Wilms, presided.

And the third, the very successful Sunday School Anniversary at Port Germain on July 4th, when Rev. Wilmn again journeyed out from Port Pirie to take both services. The day was beautiful, the attendance splendid, and the children conducted by Mr. Lionel Hendriksen, were to be congratulated on their fine effort. Little Susan Mitchell distinguished herself as a promising talent.

We are looking forward to the prize-giving and concert in the kinder Hall on July 17th. Also the visit of the Rev. Allan Walker to Port Pirie during August 13th, 14th and 15th, and the visit of the President of the Conference to Port Germain on 23rd August, also the visit of the Deputy Superintendent of Home Missions, the Rev. E. A. Bottrill, on Oct. 6th, and lastly Mrs. Arthur Blacket on Oct. 18th, when she will conduct the Port Germain Ladies' Guild Anniversary Service.

We pray for the success of the Mission to the Nation in all its aspects— for the work at Barossa, that this good response will continue and grow, and for the work of the Circuit in the future, which may be expected to venture more for God and especially that new souls may be won for the Kingdom of Heaven.

Yours in the work of God,

EDGAR H. DEUTSCHER

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Friday, the 13th November, again discovered any superstitious theories regarding dates, for it was the occasion of a very happy evening when members of the Solomon Young People's Con- tasy Party gave a sparkling party concert in aid of St. Mary's Trust Funds.

That the Barossa and Marnby Ladies' Guild is not weary of well doing, has been proved by our generous Socialist Fete held at Barossa Hall on Nov. 24th. This fete was opened by Mrs. O. Hunter and Mrs. A. Barossa. Thanks are due to all who helped on stalls, side shows, and pictures. The Christmas Tree and Father Christmas was a festive air to the occasion.

The Combined Circuit Choir, under the leadership of Mr. L. Hendriksen, took the first position at Barossa Church on December 13th, and won a number of Circuit awards. That same evening at Port Germain, the choir took part in a full church service, which was interspersed with suitable scripture readings.

On Sunday, Oct. 26th, parents met with the scholars at Port Germain Sunday School at a Family Service. A talk, ably delivered by Mr. Hendriksen, and music, entertainment were provided. The children's Christmas play was a treat for all. The Guild was represented by Mrs. A. Blacket, who gave a generous donation, and Mrs. I. J. Pottle, who gave a generous donation, and Mrs. I. J. Pottle, who gave a generous donation.

On Sunday, January 10th, the new Christening Font, presented by Mr. E. J. B. Broadbear, in recognition of his wife's long association with the Port Germain Church, was unveiled by his son, Mr. E. Broadbear, and dedicated to the service of God. A beautiful addition to our church furnishings was made by Mr. G. H. Hill, of Barossa.

Personal sympathy is extended to relatives of the late Mr. W. Stahl, who recently passed away at Port Pirie.

The sudden passing of Mr. J. M. Barossa of Marnby Creek, and Mr. R. M. Barossa, of Barossa, is a shock to relatives and friends of the families concerned. We express our sympathy to the widows and the families of the deceased.

Congratulations to Miss and Mrs. Hendriksen on the birth of their daughter, Rosalie Ann.

We are glad to see Mrs. Allan Hilliam about after long illness. In wishing you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year that the Church and all its avenues of Christian Service may prosper more.

Your Pastor,

E. H. DEUTSCHER

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CIRCUIT NOTES

The outstanding event of this quarter was the visit of our President of our Methodist Conference, Rev. G. S. Wallis, on August 23rd. The attendance was not greatly improved by the painting and painting of the walls, and thanks are extended to all who helped to set up the Kirkin Hall.

Speaking of the Kirkin Hall, we are greatly improved by the lighting and painting of the walls, and thanks are extended to all who helped to set up the Kirkin Hall.

On October 4th we were very pleased to have with us our Superintendent of Home Missions, the Rev. Arthur Blacket, who spoke convincingly and brightly on the work and aims of our Home Missions. It was an educative experience to learn of all the varied activities of our Home Mission Dept. The book's display received lively attention and a ready sale.

On Sunday, October 10th, we had the pleasure of listening to Mrs. D. Blacket (wife of the Principal of Wesley College, at the time) speak on the occasion being the Port Germain Ladies' Guild Anniversary. The afternoon worship was at the Church and in the evening the worship was at the Church and the worshipers were quite content with the service. The tour was appreciated during both afternoons and evenings.

At the well-attended Quarterly Meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Broadbear, it was noted with pleasure and surprise that special donations to the Circuit Funds exceeded our expectations, which are reflected in the healthy state of our balance sheet, and warm thanks are due to all who gave so generously. It was arranged all the donations to be sent to our Board for distribution, and they will be sent to our Board for distribution, and they will be sent to our Board for distribution.

Finally, congratulations to all who have helped to keep our Circuit so splendidly self-supporting during these past few years. It is noticeable that the number of those who have donated to the Circuit has increased, and we appreciate the share in the joys of those who are blessed with health and prosperity.

Yours, in the service of

EDGAR H. DEUTSCHER

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BALANCE SHEET

Quarter Ending 30th Sept., 1954

INCOME £ s. d.

Pt. Germain Thankoffering 8 12 0
Barossa Thankoffering 20 4 0
Barossa Evening 18 1 0
Marnby Thankoffering 23 1 0
Barossa Church Collections 33 11 0
S.S. Levi 4 11 0
Home Mission Collections 36 11 0
Social Service 6 7 0
Credit Last Quarter 10 5 0
£657 14 0

EXPENDITURE £ s. d.

Minister's stipend 145 0 0
Travelling 35 0 0
Manses Allowance 0 0 0
Children's Fund 5 3 0
Connectional Fund 12 11 0
Stamp Fund 12 11 0
Circuit Stewards 10 11 0
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EDGAR H. DEUTSCHER

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14-EXPOSURE
How quickly the time flies when busy. It seems only a few weeks instead of three months since the writing of the previous notes. Which is a reminder of how important it is to grasp our opportunities as they come within our orbit.

The careful planning, plus enthusiasm and practical financial aid from our quarterly meetings held in the homes of our members and ladies' group, has borne fruit and the movie projector will be an accomplished fact in a matter of weeks. Congratulations and thanks to all who made this possible. A splendid contribution to the work of God in our Circuit.

Our Manse Trust Secretary, Mr. Owen Broadbear, wishes to thank all donors of wheat towards the Manse Trust Funds. The special chaff collected by Mr. L. Hender was a noteworthy help in our Christmas Carol Services at Port Germain, Baroona and Mambray.

A normal event during the quarter was the wedding of two young part-aboriginal couples in the Port Germain Church. What handicaps these pacified people face in life. An unsympathetic, often un-understanding public, apahty, weakness as are akin to us all, make their future anything but rosy. There is no awakening in the minds and hearts of many thinking people, both within and without the Church, regarding the responsibility of the government and private citizens alike, towards these "old Australians."

Finally, our earnest prayer for you all is, in the words of John "May these prosper and be in health even as your souls prosper." Soul prosperity is the starting point. Material prosperity an added opportunity for service along the Christian way.

Yours in the Master’s Service,

EUGENIUS DEUTSCHER

CIRCUIT NOTES

Once again the season of Christmas has been with us and now we face another year ahead of us. May the blessing of God be with each one of us in this new year.

At Christmas we remembered again the birth of Jesus and the thrill brought us the Christmas story in song and at our special Carol Service.

The Port Germain Sunday School invited their parents to a special Christmas Service, and among other items, presented a Christmas Play. Mrs. Pole kindly made a Christmas cake, which was enjoyed by all. The children of Banger also presented a play to their parents in a special service.

The Port Germain L.G.A. held a Christmas Service, attended by the congregation at the last afternoon service. Mrs. Simmonds, of Port River, looked after the travel arrangements and of the church service held. The evening service was led by Mrs. Goss.

The Church Anniversary at Mambray was held in November amid a lovely setting of floral decoration.

To those who have suffered the loss of dear ones over the recent months, may they find their strength and comfort in God as they turn to him.

The Baroona Strawberry Fair was a great success, particularly the Ladies’ Guild, and the amount of £132 was raised.

For Kate Cocks’ Baby’s Home and Overseas Cenotaph Fund £7/12/6 and £2/6/4 were raised, of which amount 80% was donated to the Baby’s Home and 20% to the Cenotaph Fund.

May we know Christ as our personal Saviour and friend and ever seek to walk in His path.

1955

We regret the passing of Mr. S. T. Hobart, who has been a loyal and faithful member. We also regret the passing of Mr. H. Richens, and one of our Abergrove friends.

To your new Pastor, Mr. Ivan Goss, and his wife, we know you will extend the same loyalty and willing help as in the past.

May God bless you all and keep you in His care.

Yours In His Service,

PASTOR E. DEUTSCHER

PASTOR IVAN GOSS

Thoughts for the Quarter

I can see how it might be possible for a man to look down on earth and be an atheist, but I do not see how he can look up to the heavens by night and say there is no God.—Abraham Lincoln

Dear Friends,

Greetings to you all from your minister and his family. May you have a happy and blessed Christmas, and God Christ is definitely the Ideal. His way is the highest and the best. No man has ever attained the ideal of man, even the choicest saint, has ever walked sinfully. In His way, but He is trying to be better, and do better is the greatest thing any of us can attain towards that Ideal. The Devil is everywhere and he wants to be sure that we all have a Christmas fit for the soul.

A number of our people have been on the sick list during the quarter, and we pray that God will restore them to health and happiness.

We are all looking forward to a most interesting and fruitful year in the new Circuit.

Yours in Service,

PASTOR IVAN GOSS
It is traditional for the people of Methodism to renew their Covenant with God at the beginning of the year. This renewal is personal: we who are Methodist are strongly urged to renew our Covenant with God. A Covenant is a contract between a man and his God. Paul in Galatians says, "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free, and be not enangled together with the yoke of bondage." This is a paradox. It is only when we give ourselves to God that we have liberty.

Last quarter two countries were embraced in this circuit when Mr. Edward Flemming preached here. The Missionary vision has become clearer through Mr. Flemming's graphically presented presentation of the mission. In Fig. 1, as a circuit, with Mr. Flemming's speed in his new appointment.

The Church has supported generously in the past. The COAT program, White House, Cook's Church, Home, E/M, 6/8; Overseas Mission, 2, and Christmas Bowl of Remembrance, 19/14.

As the New Year is here, may we have a vision with a purpose. The purpose being:

MAURICE L. A. LIND, Student Minister.

CIRCUIT NOTES

The crucial question after Easter is: Does Jesus live? There is a quality in Easter joy not to be found in any other festival of the Church. This Easter joy is the joy of victory and distinctive to the Christian as the death of death. "He opened the door to all believers"

It is evident that the Resurrection of Jesus was more than a resurrection of the dead body. The form in which He appeared was that of a glorified and immortal body. St. Paul says generally of the resurrection of the dead, "This mortal is swallowed up in immortality."

The Church of Christ and individual Christians through the ages have believed that Christ is not dead. "He is risen" and this will never cease from the time of the Resurrection.

The real Presence of Christ is the essence of this Church. Without His Presence the Church is a corpse. Does Christ live? This is for us to answer.

We rejoice in the appointment of Pastor R. E. Simpson of Conference to our Circuit, and praise God for his future proclamation of the Gospel of Christ to us. We welcome Pastor and Mrs. Simpson and family, and look forward with great expectation for your ministry amongst us.

I thank you for your Christian Fellowship and Hospitality to me while I was among you. I speak in the words of Paul that you "received me as an angel of God and I am unable to express my gratitude.

The Harvest Festival Season was a great success in this Church, as you have remembered our stewardship to Almighty God. The Harvest Gifts were: Port Germain, $12.00; Belrose, $9.00; Membertou, $2.50; Church Women, $1.00. May God's grace, peace and blessing be with your spirit. Amanda L. A. Lind, Student Minister.

PASTORAL LETTER

The Secret of Bible Study

1. Study it through. Never begin a day without mastering a verse.
2. Pray over it. Never leave your Bible until the passage you have studied is a part of your very being.
3. Put down the thought God gives you, put it in the margin of your Bible or your notebook. Work it out. Live the verse you get through all the hours of the day. Past it on, seek to tell somebody what you have learned.

Dear Friends,

This past Sunday School had a very successful Anniversary Day on the 28th May. The Rev. C. C. Cotton conducted the service. The afternoon service was conducted by Mr. R. L. Hindon, who was congratulated on his fine effort. The concert and prizes were given, also held in connection with the anniversary, was an enjoyable evening.

The Junior Youth Fellowship, which commenced through the efforts of the Rev. Mr. Hindon, is now 22 on the roll. Five of the members represented the circuit at the Junior Camp at Wingham last May, and from all accounts they are quite keen to the next one.

At the last quarterly meeting the Chairman of the District welcomed two young men who were attending the Seminary. They were the Rev. and Mrs. Port Germain School, Mr. Ray Hobbs, and Membertou Church, Mr. Clifford Spencer. Quarterly Meeting accepted a recommendation of the Rev. Parents and Friends for Fellowship in the life of the Church at Barre Bar, Port Germain, on 9th August, and to the Rev. Mr. Port Germain on 9th September.

The Junior Youth Fellowship of both Junior and Senior Youth Fellowships was held on Sunday evening at the Lower House of the Church by the Rev. Mr. Hindon, taking part.

The accompanying on the balance sheet causes concern. The late F. B. Meyer said, "The Kingdom of God can never be established by raising money, but it can never be established without raising money."

Please make it prayer.

Yours in the Master's Service,

PASTOR ROSS F. SIMPSON.

PASTORAL LETTER

Thought for the Quarter

When a man is too busy to worship God, he is too busy.—Neville Hobson.

Those who live on the mountains have a longer day than those who live in the valley. Sometimes all we need to brighten our day, is to rise a little higher.—John Bowyer.

Dear Friends,

It was certainly a great thrill for all those who attended the service at Barre Bar on Sunday, 28th June, to see 17 young people of the Circuit being received into full membership of the Church by the Rev. Mr. W. Williams. We congratulate them on the stand they have taken.

"The King of Nations" has thought of becoming a member of the Church? Since the 28th June the young people have expressed their desire to join the Church. Why don't you join them? Come and talk this very important matter over with your Minister.

Our Churches will be holding their Church Anniversary this September. Barre Bar on 9th August; Port Germain on 9th September and Membertou on 9th October. Rev. Mr. Port Germain's "projected opening" will be held on 9th August. We look forward to seeing you on these occasions.

This pastoral letter goes to all who has just come to hand that Mr. Fred McDougall and Mr. Stan Henderson, who are in Port Perry Hospital, are both doing well. We pray for their full recovery to health. To the others who are on the sick list and the aged amongst us we send our hearty greetings and best wishes, especially to those who are unable to come to worshop, we pray that help may come through other means.

Yours in the Master's Service,

PASTOR ROSS F. SIMPSON.

PASTORAL LETTER

Film Statement for Quarter ending June 30th, 1959.

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Yours in the Master's Service,

PASTOR ROSS F. SIMPSON.
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PORT GERMEIN METHODIST CIRCUIT

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PLAN OF DIVINE SERVICES
FOR NOV., DEC. AND JAN.
1959-60

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Marriages and Baptisms as solemnised by the Minister

Elliott & Jones, Printers, Strathalbyn.

BALANCE SHEET
QUARTER ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1959

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SPECIAL SERVICES

Nov. 8th—Port Germain Ladies' Guild Service. Speaker: Donnemarie Bynon. Dec. 12th—Community Carol Singing at Port Germain Institute at 7 p.m. Film, "To Enlist a Gift." will be shown. Dec. 20th—Christmas Services throughout the Circuit.

Dec. 26th—Christmas Day Service, 9.15 a.m. Port Germain Church.
Jan. 3rd—Covenant Services throughout Circuit.
PORT GERMEIN
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PLAN OF
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BALANCE SHEET
FOR QUARTER ENDING 30th SEPT., 1960

INCOME £ s. d.
Port Germein Thanksgiving — 44 8 4
Donations — 23 10 6
Berola Thanksgiving — 46 7 0
Donations — 26 17 5
Mambrey Thanksgiving — 13 8 3
Ranger — — 5 0
H.M. Grant — — 135 2 5
£392 2 4
£491 6 4

EXPENDITURE £ s. d.
Minister's Stipend — 179 10 0
Travelling: 1,623 miles at 3d. mile, £41 1/3 less £18 15/- — 42 6 9
Connectional Charges Fund — 12 18 3
Manse Allowance — 2 0
Children's Fund — 7 5 5
Removal Expenses — 3 7
Ministerial Training Fund — 22 7 0
Dept. of Christian Education — 18 3 1
Car Depreciation — 18 15 6
H.M. Retirement — 3 0 0
Minster Trust Rent — 15 10 0
Phone Rent — 4 7
Calls — 4 7
£326 4 1
£456 5 5
£491 6 4

Deficit Last Quarter — 16 13 6
Deficit This Quarter — 69 4 0
£491 6 4

Circuit Stewards: J. M. HILLAM
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1960-61

PASTORAL LETTER

YOUR CHRISTMAS GUEST

Take time this Christmas Day to go
A little way apart,
And with the hands of prayer prepare
The house that is your heart.
Brush out the dusty tears, brush out
The cobwebs of your care,
Till in the house that is your heart
It's Christmas everywhere.
Light every window up with love,
And let your love shine through,
That they who walk outside may there
The blessed light with you.
Then will the rooms with joy be bright,
With peace the earth be blessed
And Christ Himself will enter in
To be your Christmas Guest.

J. D. Freeman.

Dear Friends,

Another quarter has quickly slipped by,
during which several successful Church Anniversaries were held at Barossa, Mambrey and
Port Germein, the latter church being remodelled inside in time for the occasion.
This plan commences with an Excursion Rally, to be held in the Port Germein Institute. The
occasion will mark the visit of the Metropolitans Male Choir of S.A., from Adelaide. All
outlining churches and Sunday Schools will be closed for the Rally. We hope many people
from the whole circuit will be present.
During the past quarter Mrs. H. Webb has been in Adelaide for medical treatment.
We trust that she will soon be well and back in our midst again.
The sudden passing of Mr. F. J. McDougall came as a shock to the whole community.
We thank God for his life and service.
Our sincere sympathy goes out to his wife and family. We pray that they will find
God's all sufficiency in this their time of great sorrow.
Our thoughts once again are drawing to the Christmas season, when we remember
the birth of our Saviour. My wife and family join me in wishing you all a Happy and
Blessed Christmas.

Yours in the Master's Service,

PASTOR ROSS F. SIMPSON

REMEMBER: Community Carol Service Port Germein Institute on Sunday, 11th December, at 8 p.m.

PORT GERMEIN METHODIST CIRCUIT

INCOME £ s. d.
Living Desert — — 16 14 7
Treasure Island — — 11 3 0
Up to His Neck — — 12 11 0
£40 8 7
Credit Last Quarter — — £133 6 6
£173 15 1

EXPENDITURE £ s. d.
Living Desert — — 6 5 2
Treasure Island — — 5 17
Up to His Neck — — 6 17 6
One Lamp — — 2 5 3
Cleaning Lamps — — 2 0 0
Freight — — 9 10
Credit This Quarter — — £151 14 10
£173 15 1

PROJECTOR FUND

INCOME £ s. d.
Previously Donated — — 275 11 9
On Loan — — 200 0 0
£475 11 9
EXPENDITURE £ s. d.
Plant — — 442 1 6
Credit — — 33 10 3
£475 11 7

J. M. HILLAM,
W. H. SPENCER,
Circuit Stewards.

SECRETARY.
 School: Mr. P. F. McDougall; Social Services: Mr. P. F. McDougall.
 Circuit Secretary for Young People: Mr. L. Mudge.
 Circuit Choir Conductor: Mr. L. Henderson.
Some very popular hymns from the old Methodist Hymnal:

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1. **We have heard a joyful sound:**
   **Jesus saves!**
   Spread the gladness all around:
   **Jesus saves!**
   Bear the news to every land,
   Climb the steep and cross the waves;
   Onward! 'tis our Lord's command:
   **Jesus saves!**

2. **Sing above the battle's strife:**
   **Jesus saves!**
   By His death and endless life,
   **Jesus saves!**
   Sing it softly through the gloom,
   When the heart for mercy cries;
   Sing in triumph over the tomb:
   **Jesus saves!**

3. **Give the winds a mighty voice:**
   **Jesus saves!**
   Let the nations now rejoice:
   **Jesus saves!**
   Shout salvation full and free
   To every strand that ocean laves—
   This our song of victory:
   **Jesus saves!**

*Finales Jesus Omnis, 1830-36.*

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1. **Rock of Ages, cleft for me,**
   **Let me hide myself in Thee;**
   **Let the water and the blood,**
   From Thy sacred side which flowed,
   **Be of sin the double cure,**
   Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

2. **Not the labours of my hands**
   Can fulfil Thy law's demands;
   **Could my tears ever be dried,**
   Could my tears for ever flow,
   **All for sin could not atone,**
   Thou must save, and Thou alone.

3. **Nothing in my hand I bring,**
   **Simply to Thy Cross I cling:**
   **Naked, come to Thee for dress,**
   **Helpless, look to Thee for grace:**
   **Foul, I to the fountain fly,**
   Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

4. **While I draw this fleeting breath,**
   **When my days upon earth shall close,**
   **When I see thee face to face,**
   **Then the rapturous triumph be,**
   **Rock of Ages, cleft for me,**
   Let me hide myself in Thee. Amen.

*Augustus Montagu Toplady, 1780-1778.*

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1. **Whosoever heareth!** Shout, shout the sound!
   Send the blessed tidings all the world around;
   Spread the joyful news wherever man is found:
   Whosoever will may come.

2. **Whosoever cometh need not delay:**
   Now the door is open, enter while you may;
   Jesus is the true and only living Way:
   Whosoever will may come.

3. **Whosoever will, the promise is sure:**
   Whosoever will; for ever shall endure;
   Whosoever will, 'tis life for evermore;
   Whosoever will may come.

*Philip Bliss, 1858-90.*

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517

1. **Simply trusting every day,**
   Trusting through a stormy way.
   Even when my faith is small,
   Trusting Jesus, that is all.

2. **Brightly doth His Spirit shine**
   Into this poor heart of mine;
   While He leads I cannot fail,
   Trusting Jesus, that is all.

3. **Singing, if my way be clear,**
   Praying, if the path be drear;
   If in danger, for Him call;
   Trusting Jesus, that is all.

4. **Trusting Him while life shall last,**
   Trusting Him till earth be past,
   Till within the jasper wall;
   Trusting Jesus, that is all.

*Edgar Paye Sibley, 4, 1887.*

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402

1. **Faith of our fathers, living still**
   In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
   O how our hearts beat high with joy
   Where'er we hear that glorious word.

   **Faith of our fathers! Holy faith!**
   **We will be true to thee till death.**

2. **Faith of our fathers! We will love**
   Both friend and foe in all our strife,
   And preach thee, too, as love knows how,
   By kindly words and virtuous life.

*Frederick William Faber, 1790-1863.*

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1. **Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,**
   Pilgrim through this barren land;
   I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
   Hold me with Thy powerful hand;
   Bread of heaven!
   Feed me now and evermore.

   *When I tread the verge of Jordan,*
   *Bid my anxious fears subside;*
   *Death of deaths, and hell's destruction,*
   *Land me safe on Canaan's side;*
   *Songs of praises*
   *I will ever give to Thee.*

*William Williams, 1797-1861; tr. by Peter Williams, 1722-96.*