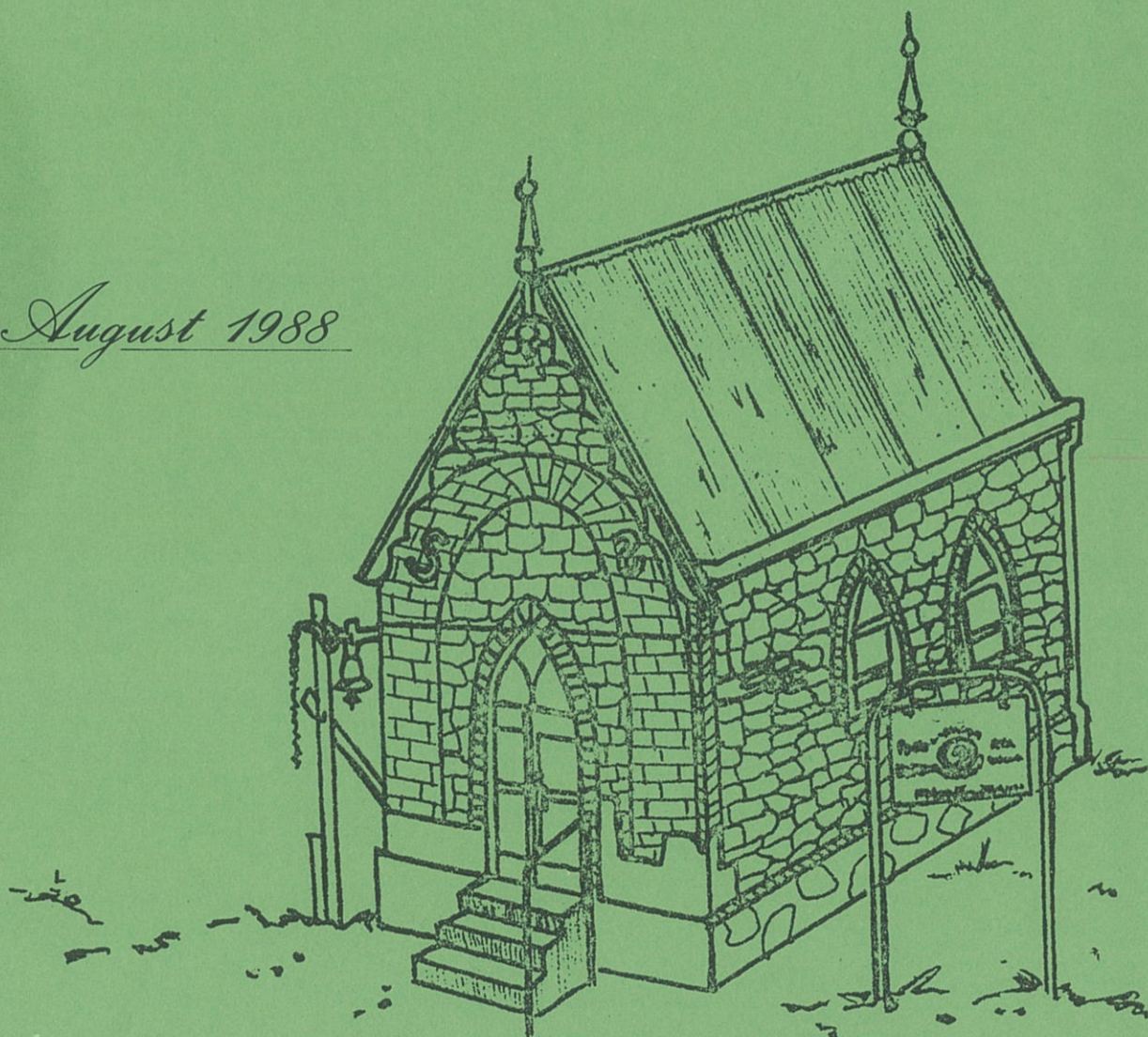


A CAVALCADE OF HISTORIC CHURCH SITES

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.

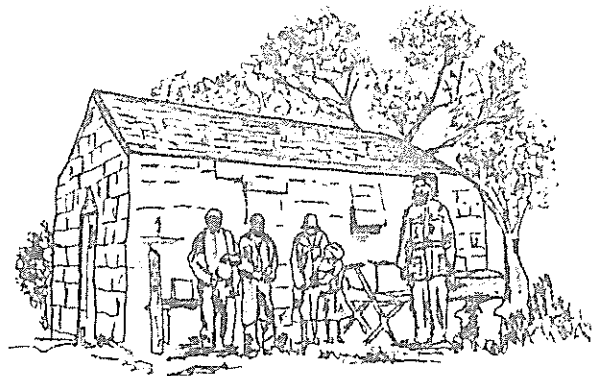
On 28th August 1988 this cavalcade to the early church sites is our effort to retrace the steps of our forebears and walk in their way of christian service.

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.

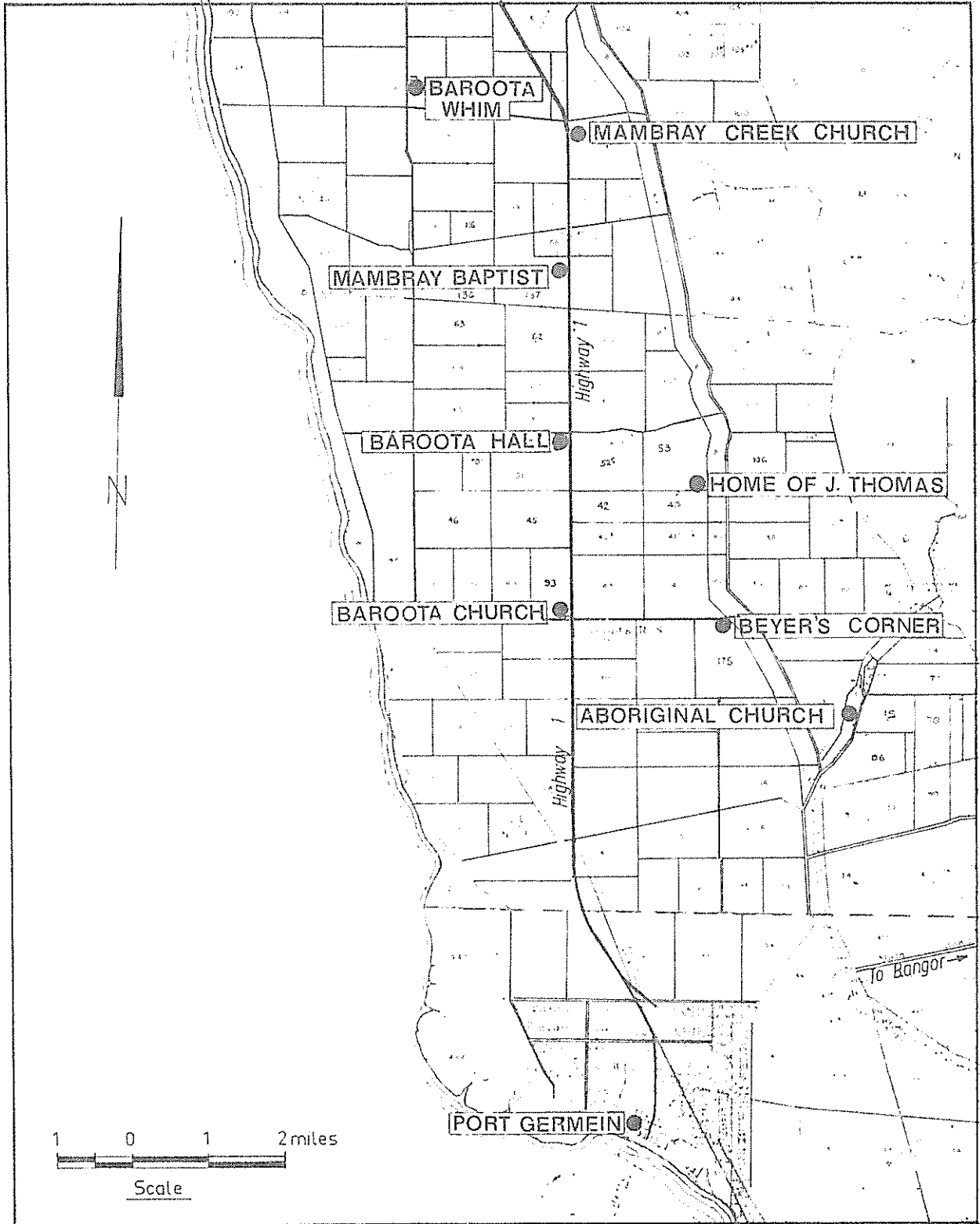
We give thanks to all who in any way helped with the preparation of this book, and with setting up the plaques.

Special thanks to Joyce Webb for her immense time spent in research and writing, Tanya Webb for typing, Laurie and Beryl Mudge, Ray and Kath Hobart, Mrs. E. Spencer, Mr. J. Millam and Mr. O. Broadbear. To Joy Martin and her friends for additional typing and printing of this book we pay tribute. Thank you one and all.



Aboriginal Church

CHURCH SITES



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 Baroota) that was leased by Mr. J. Dixon. Mr. Dixon objected to having the aborigines camping on his country, disturbing his flocks, and the aborigines complained that the Dixons hunted them away from the water. Finally, on August 15th, 1895, Sects. 152 - 158, 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 Nunkuna Tribe lived and eked out an existence.

In 1925, aboriginals assisted by local preachers, held open air services. In 1926, Rev. H. Lomman was the minister. Mr. Fred McGrath, 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 BAROOKA 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 Barooka.

"At Barooka 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 Germein were associated with the Rev's J.A. BURNS & G.J. SAMSON. The accounts of the Port Germein Mission were to be kept separate.

Then in 1881 Port Germein was made a separate mission.

This site is now owned by Peter & Bev Dennis.

CHURCH ON THE CATTLE TRACK (BEVER'S CORNER)
1881 - 1890

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. Samson 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 Bew'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 Bew'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 Bews 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. Arther 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 Germein Church and other Trustees for Baroota, and it was a struggle to finance these buildings. In 1894 the Trustees were Mr. J. Bews, Mr. G. Stone, Mr. S.J. Broadbear and Mr. A. Williams Snr. Tenders were called for the building of a Manse at Port Germein on 25.8.1894. In 1896 it was completed and occupied.

Pastor J.H. Ashton wrote in December 16, 1897 in his report to Port Germein 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".

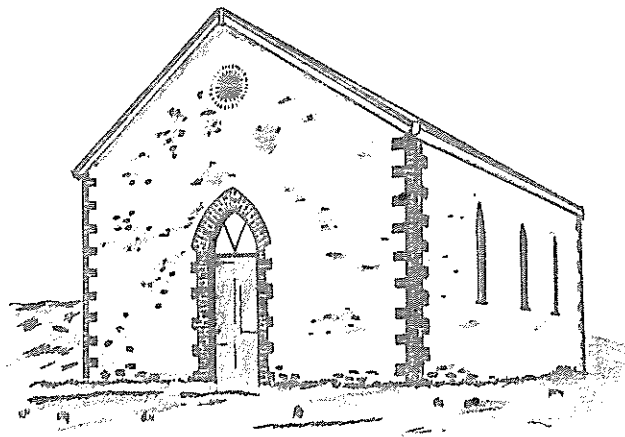
The foundation stone for the Baroota Methodist Church was laid by Mr. Arthur Williams on August 9th 1905. The farmers carted the stone for the church and a builder was engaged. It was the largest church in the Port Germein Methodist Circuit and was officially opened in August 1906.

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.

BAROOKA CHURCH 1890 - 1975 (cont.)

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 Barooka 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 Barooka Creek, now owned by Mr. J. McKenzie.



Barooka Church

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR

FIRST AVAILABLE RECORDS BAROOTTA 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

	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Leaders</u>
Jan 5th	<u>Consecration</u>	Rev. Ashton Miss Crossman
Jan 12th	<u>Bible Clock "Riches"</u>	Mr. J. Williams, Miss Crittendon
Jan 19th	<u>Parables of our Lord</u>	Mr. A. McDougall, Miss Hulster
Jan 26th	<u>Prayer & Praise held at Baptist</u>	Mr. J. Simper, Miss Amy Mudge
Feb 2nd	<u>Consecration</u>	Rev. Ashton, H. Crittendon
Feb 9th	<u>Variety</u>	Mr. G.H. Cowley, Mr. B. Stone
Feb 16th	<u>Papers of Life of Daniel</u>	Mrs. J. Hobart, Mr. E. Jago
Feb 23rd	<u>Bible Clock held at The Baptist</u>	Mr. J. Williams & Mr. A. McDougall
Mar 2nd	<u>Consecration</u>	Rev. Ashton, Miss Brinkworth
Mar 9th	Letter night, 5 or 6 members to write another Society. Letters to be read	Mr. R. Williams, Miss Stone
Mar 16th	<u>Evangelistic</u>	Rev. Ashton, Mr. J. McDougall
Mar 23rd	<u>Band of Hope held at Baptist</u>	Mr. E. Jago, Miss H. Mudge
Mar 30th	<u>Consecration</u>	Mr. Arthur Williams Sen. Miss Hulster

Christian Endeavour held Barootta 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 Barootta.

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

Active Members on Roll January 1901

Active January 1939-43 (Closed)

Brother John Williams
" S. Thomas Hobart
" J. McDougall
" Arthur Williams (Junior)
" Ruebin Williams
" Horace Crittendon
" W.J. McDougall
" John Simper
" Sam Broadbear
" D. McDougall
" J. Davison
" W.O. North (minister)
" J. Lymn
" Ern Jago
Sister Mrs S. Broadbear
" Nellie Stone
" E. Hobart
" A.J. Mudge
" Mrs Horace Crittendon

Gordon Beyer (Sec)
Vivian E. Williams
Keith E. Williams
Reginald Beyer
Phillip Williams
Joyce B. Williams (Sec)
Jack Hillam
Dorrie McDougall
Fred McDougall
Dorothy Williams
Mary McDougall
Victor McDougall
Carol Mudge
Laurie Mudge
Alf Cummings
Joan Pope
Chrissie Hutchinson
Herb Walters
Harvie Spencer
Ian Jackson
Jean McDougall
Grace Beyer
Phyllis Beyer
Vida Beyer
Gwen Touhy
C. Beyer
Joyce Spencer

Associate Members

Brother Bert Stone
Sister W.J. McDougall

Closed 15th May 1943
Mrs. Mary McDougall was
the last Secretary.

BAROOKA HALL 1881 - 1893

The land for this church was given by Mr. John Sherriff soon after the Barooka 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 Barooka is an aboriginal word 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 Barooka 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.



Barooka Hall

MAMBRAY BAPTIST - LATER MAMBRAY 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 Mambray 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. Hobart 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 Munroe 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 Mambray 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. Gil Walters, (bass), Lorna and Rhene Hoskins, Ella Baker, Ellie Commons among others. How 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. Spencers. Those present were Pastor Ruddock, 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 £85.0.0.
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, 30 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 adherents 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. Coe."

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 25.4.1853 the church at Mambray 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 Mambray Creek mentioned.

Balance Sheet

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Disbursements</u>	
Port Germein - Collections	£6.7.8	Deficiency b/forward	£19.2.11
Donation	5.0	Ministers Salary	37.10.0
Special	2.6.9	Children's Fund	4.10.0
By Sunday School	1.0.0	House Rent	4.7.6
Baroota - Collections	6.3.0	(to Port Germein)	
Donation	3.0.0	Connexional Funds	10.0
Special	4.13.6		<hr/>
Sunday School	18.0		£66. 0.5
Mambray Creek - Collections	1.17.10		
Special	16.7		
Special at Baroota Whim	1.0.0		
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	28.8.4		
Deficiency to Balance	37.13.1		
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Total	£66.0.5		

MAMBRAY 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 Mambray 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 (M.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 Germein Manse being their first home.

This was the year Mambray Creek closed and joined Baroota and Port Germein.

BAROOTA WHIM 1883 - 1916

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 £38.17.8.

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 Mambray Church.

We are indebted to diaries left 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 8th, 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 in Port Germein was a Bible Christian Manse 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 8th 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, Hoar 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. Andrews 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 are 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 wood work 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 Trewartha was one of the first organists. Choir members in 1916 were Mrs. L. Dahlenburg, Mrs Hall, Mr. Dick Hanna (Tenor), Mr. E. Trewartha (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 Baroota 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. Trewartha, 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 Superintendant 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. Hollitt, O.L. Broadbear, L. Mudge, 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.

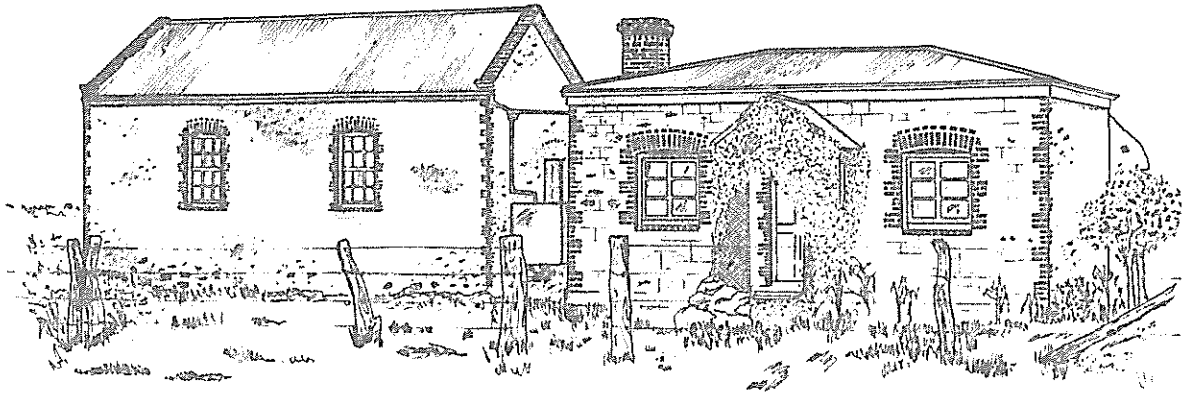
Following these, the Revs Alan George, Doug Allington, David Hunnerup and Lindsay Faulkner ministered to the congregation. Mrs. Loraine Tubb, Lay Preacher, (Parish Assistant) is the present Pastoral worker.

The following is the list of appointments to Port Germein until the amalgamation with Port Pirie.

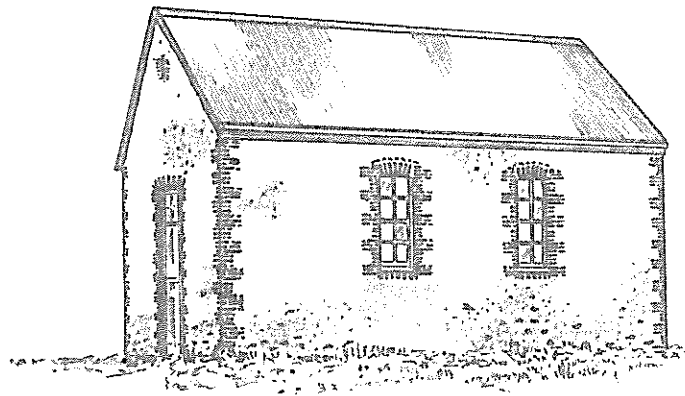
The years 1930, 1932, 1944, 1956, 1959, 1960 and 1962 show O.T.B.S. (one to be sent) against Port Germein but the years read:-

Circuit:-

1881	G.J. Samson	1917-21	H.P. Lambert
1882	R.C. Yeoman	1921	H.J. Martin
1883	W.T. Isaacs	1922-24	H.S. Atkin
1884	N. Rogers	1924-26	J. Nancarrow
1885-6	J.G. Martin	1926-29	W.H. Lomman
1887-90	R.C. Yeoman	1929	F.H. Dodd
1891-92	Edward Hill	1930	O.T.B.S.
1893-5	W.W. Finch	1931-32	Rev. F.H.J. Silwood
1896	W.F. James	1933	Rev. R. Plowes
1897	J.H. Ashton	1934-36	Rev. F.C.G. Greig
1898-9	R.H. Lee	1937-38	Pastor J. McTier
1900-2	W.O. North	1939-41	Pastor G. Dunn
1903	R.V. Crump	(Meetings chaired by Rev. A.E. Vogt)	
1904-5	Henry Hartley	1942-43	Rev. E.S. Jew (Solomontown)
1906	F.R. French	1944	O.T.B.S.
1907	J.P.H. Tilbrook	1945-47	Pastor W.J.G. Kunst
1908	G. Morris	1948	Pastor E.G.C. Wisdom
1909	Frederick Davis	1949-50	Pastor H.D. Ruddock
1910-12	C.E. Williams	1951-54	Pastor E.H. Duetscher
1913-15	John Harris	1955	Pastor I. Goss
1916-17	R.V. Crump (died while in Circuit)	1956	O.T.B.S.
		1957-58	Pastor R. Simpson
		1959-60	O.T.B.S.
		1961	with Port Pirie, Rev. N. Michael



Baroota Whim



Mambray Baptist

THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE EXTRACTS FROM CIRCUIT PLANS
DURING 1918 to 1961

Methodist Preachers' Plan.

PORT GERMEIN CIRCUIT, 1918.

"Without Me ye can do nothing."—John xv. 5.

"Pray without ceasing, and work while ye pray."

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

Time.	FEBRUARY			MARCH			APRIL			PREACHERS.			
	2	9	16	23	9	16	23	30	6		13	20	27
PORT GERMEIN 11 7	Lambert Lambert	HT HT	Lambert Supply	Lambert Mrs. Stone	Broadbear Williams	Lambert Broadbear	Lambert Lambert	Lambert Lambert	Lambert Lambert	Lambert Williams	Lambert Lambert	Lambert Broadbear	H.P. LAMBERT, Pt. Germein HELPERS. T. Hobart, Mambrey S. Broadbear, Pt. Germein W. Munro, Baroota Mrs. B. Stone, Baroota P. Williams, Baroota I. Hall, Port Germein C.E. Band, Baroota
BAROOTA ... 2½ 7	Munro CE	Mrs. Stone	SSA SSA	Lambert Broadbear	Mrs. Stone CE	Lambert CE	Lambert Williams	Lambert CE	Lambert Munro	Lambert CE	Lambert Mrs. Stone	Lambert CE	
MAMBREY ... 3 7	Lambert	Williams	Lambert	Lambert	Munro	HT HT	Munro	Mrs. Stone	Broadbear	Lambert	Hobart	Lambert	

Balance Sheet for Quarter ending Dec. 31, 1918.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
INCOME.	6	9	6	EXPENDITURE.	6	19	3
Port Germein—Collections	...	0	10	Deficiency last Quarter	...	35	0
Subscriptions	...	6	18	Minister's Stipend	...	0	15
Baroota—Collections	...	1	0	Plans	...	0	18
Subscriptions	...	3	13	Expenses to Synod	...	0	6
Baroota—Collections	...	3	0	Blacksmith's Account	...	32	1
Marriage Fee	...	54	8	Credit Balance	...	0	2
Bazaar Grant
					£76	0	2

NOTICES.

Every preacher is expected to fulfil his appointments, or himself provide an accredited substitute.

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.

CIRCUIT STEWARDS—

MR. W. J. McDOUGALL AND MR. S. J. BROADBEAR.

CA—Church Anniversary.

SSA—Sunday School Anniversary.

HT—Harvest Thanksgiving.

S—Sacrament.

MARRIAGES SOLEMNIZED BY THE MINISTER.

CIRCUIT STEWARDS—1923	
Mr. S. J. Broadbear and Mr. W. J. McDougall.	
CHURCH STEWARDS—	COMMUNION STEWARDS—
GERMEIN—Mr. A. Trestrail	Mrs. A. Trestrail
BAROOTA—Mr. R. Williams	Mrs. R. Williams
MAMBREY—Mr. W. Munro	Mrs. Hobart
Mr. F. C. Palmer	

1923	
PREACHERS.	
Rev. H. S. Arkin, Port Germein	
T. Hobart, Mambrey	
S. Broadbear, Pt. Germein	
Mrs. B. Stone, Baroota	
P. Williams, Baroota	
C. E. Band, Baroota	
A. Hillier, Baroota	
W. Munro, Baroota	

METHODIST PREACHERS' PLAN

PORT GERMEIN CIRCUIT, 1927.

"Without Me ye can do nothing."—John xv. 5. "Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you."—James iv. 8. "Lo, I am with you alway."—Matt. xviii. 20.

Time.	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	Full moon, 17th	Full moon, 18th	APRIL	Full moon, 17th	Full moon, 18th
PORT GERMEIN 11 Sun. School 24 Evening 7 Friday CP 8	30 Lomman Broadbear Lomman s CP	6 Lomman F. McDougall Hillam CP	13 Lomman Broadbear CP	20 Lomman Williams CP	27 Lomman Lomman CP	3 Lomman Broadbear CP	10 Lomman Hillam CP	17 Lomman Hillam CP
BAROOKA ... 24 Sun. School 11 Evening 7	24 Spencer Mrs. R. Williams	13 Lomman s Williams Superintendent	6 Lomman L. SSA	20 Hillam L. SSA	27 Lomman Hillam	3 Lomman Henderson Williams	10 Lomman Williams	17 Lomman Williams
MAMBRAY ... 3 Sun. School 24 Evening 7	3 Lomman s Hobart, Superintendent Lomman	6 Lomman Hobart, Superintendent Lomman	13 Lomman Closed	20 Lomman Lomman Spencer	27 Lomman Lomman	3 Lomman Williams Lomman s	10 Lomman Lomman s	17 Lomman Lomman
Aborigine Camp 104	W. McDougall	Williams	Lomman	Hillam	Williams	W. McDougall	Lomman	Williams

PREACHERS.
 Rev. W. H. Lomas
 Port Germein
 T. Hobart, Mambrey
 S. Broadbear, Pt. Germein
 P. Williams, Baroota
 L. Hillam, Baroota
 W. McDougall, Baroota
 J. Chamberslain, Baroota

HELPERS.
 A. Henderson, Pt. Germein
 W. Spencer, Mambrey
 E. McNevel, Baroota

Balance Sheet for Quarter ending Dec. 1926.

INCOME.	EXPENDITURE.
Point Germein—Collections ... £ 46 5 0	Minister's Stipend ... 5 0 0
Baroota—Collections ... 11 5 4	Plans ... 0 17 6
Mambrey—Collections ... 11 5 4	Main—Furnishing ... 2 10 0
Bazaar Grant ... 102 5 11	Connexional Charges ... 0 18 0
	Removal Expenses Fund ... 0 13 6
	Allowance for Car ... 12 6 0
	Children's Fund ... 7 19 0
	Phone Rent ... 3 0 0
	Theological Fund ... 1 1 0
	Deficit last quarter ... 55 16 1
	Credit Balance ... 17 9 2
	£128 9 5

NOTICES.
 Every preacher is expected to fulfil his appointments, or himself provide an accredited substitute.
 Parents are requested to have their children dedicated to the Lord.
 The Minister will be glad to be informed of all cases of sickness.
 Will the Communion Stewards kindly arrange for Sacrament when planned?
 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.

<p>CIRCUIT STEWARDS— Mr. S. J. Broadbear and Mr. W. J. McDougall</p> <p>CHURCH STEWARDS— GERMEIN—Mr. S. Broadbear BAROOKA—Mr. R. Williams MAMBRAY—Mr. F. C. Palmer Mr. J. Spencer</p>	<p>CIRCUIT STEWARDS— Mr. S. J. Broadbear and Mr. W. J. McDougall</p> <p>CHURCH STEWARDS— GERMEIN—Mr. S. Broadbear BAROOKA—Mr. R. Williams MAMBRAY—Mr. F. C. Palmer Mr. J. Spencer</p>
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PREACHERS
 Rev. F. H. Dupp 1930
 T. Hobart, Mambrey
 S. Broadbear, Pt. Germein
 P. Williams, Baroota
 L. Hillam, Baroota
 W. McDougall, Baroota
 H. Hackworth, Baroota

CIRCUIT STEWARDS—
 Mr. S. J. Broadbear and Mr. W. J. McDougall.

CHURCH STEWARDS—
 GERMEIN—Mr. S. Broadbear
 BAROOKA—Mr. R. Williams
 MAMBRAY—Mr. F. C. Palmer
 Mr. J. Spencer

CIRCUIT STEWARDS—1927-28
 Mr. S. J. Broadbear and Mr. W. J. McDougall.

CHURCH STEWARDS—
 GERMEIN—Mr. S. Broadbear
 BAROOKA—Mr. R. Williams
 MAMBRAY—Mr. F. C. Palmer
 Mr. J. Spencer

Quarterly Meeting decided to alter the form so as to provide space for notes each quarter. We gladly 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 co-operation.

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 attendances 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 unsympathetic, and as an audience are not conducive of inspiration. Give these men of your best and they will give of theirs.

At the end of the June quarter circuit finances were 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 again say "Thank you."

May the coming quarter find us drawing closer to God and in fellowship one with 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 fellow-men.

Our circuit has suffered very severe losses in the departures of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McDougall, of Baroota, and Miss Ida Spencer, of Port Germein, 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 all his work for the Kingdom he was quietly but efficiently supported by Mrs. McDougall, who was an active member of the Ladies' Guild.

In Miss Ida Spencer we have lost another active worker, and her long years of service as Secretary of the Port Germein Ladies' Guild, Superintendent of the Kindergarten, and Church Organist at Port Germein, will not readily be forgotten by those who have had the pleasure of co-operating 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 Arthur and Myrtle Olive Tee, at Port Germein.

JOHN MCTIER.

We desire to record our thanks to all those who have laboured so faithfully in past years, and to urge on our present workers and helpers the need of their continued wholehearted service to our Lord and Master.

It is pleasing to note that this quarter our Balance Sheet shows a small credit balance. Is it too much to hope that this will be maintained.

Our Harvest Thanksgivings services afford us the opportunity of showing our gratitude to Almighty God for all His great goodness, and we express the hope that all will appear before Him in worship, and return thanks.

Your Minister was elected by the Quarterly Meeting to attend Conference as representative and Mr. J. Hillam was appointed as substitute.

Quarterly Meeting were pleased to elect Messrs. J. Hillam and W. J. McDougall, Senr., for a further term of office as Circuit Stewards. Thus do we express our confidence in their capabilities.

We would place on record our appreciation of the wonderful enthusiasm shown by the members of the Ladies' Guilds, their helpers and supporters, in making the Annual Bazaar such a splendid success, and to Port Germein Girls' Physical Culture Club on their worthy effort at their Annual Demonstration, which returned to Port Germein Trust Fund the sum of £6/8/6.

BAPTISM.—Colin Kingsley, infant son of Harold David and Marjorie Elizabeth Brunshan, at Port Germein.

WEDDINGS.—Herbert Richter to Petete Maude Wauchopp. Steward Arthur Giles to Madge Bramfield.

JOHN MCTIER, 1938

CIRCUIT NOTES

Nov. Dec. Jan. 1937-38

PREACHERS:

J. MCTIER, Port Germein
J. Hillam, Baroota
P. Williams, Baroota
W. Spencer, Mambray
F. McDougall, Baroota
Mrs. MCTIER

HELPERS:

J. Hillam, Baroota
W. Spencer, Mambray
F. McDougall, Baroota
Mrs. MCTIER

We hope, however, that the much needed improvements and repairs to our Port Germein Church will not be lost sight of or forgotten.

We desire to express our thanks to all friends who loyally supported the work of the Church during our ministry, and to express the hope that even a greater loyalty may be forthcoming for the Master during the ministry of our successor, Rev. G. Dunn, who comes to you from Penong on the West Coast. That he may be blessed in his labours and win souls for Christ is our earnest wish and prayer.

The outstanding events in the coming quarter will be the Christian Endeavour Anniversary to be held at Baroota on Sunday, June 18th, and the Sunday School Anniversary at Port Germein on Sunday, July 2nd.

On Friday evening, 12th May, Rev. Clarke, of Papua, will deliver an address on the work of the Overseas Missions in Papua, and Sunday, 14th May, has been set aside as O.M. Sunday, and collections on that day will be given to support that worthy cause.

Marriage.—Frederick George Henry Havers and Avril Rita Ottaway, Port Germein.
JOHN MCTIER.

We take this opportunity of placing on record our appreciation of those who have served so unselfishly during the year in maintaining the various branches of our work.

During the past quarter many of our friends have been laid aside by sickness, necessitating their removal to the Port Pirie Hospital. We are pleased to know that these friends are making a splendid recovery and that they will soon be with us again. We return our humble thanks to God that He has sustained them and theirs during their time of great need.

The splendid effort, during the year, of our Girls' Physical Culture Club to secure a piano was successfully concluded during the quarter, and an excellent instrument has been placed in the Port Germein Kindergarten Hall.

On Christmas Day a special service was held in each Church in the circuit, and at the conclusion of each service an appeal was made to all who had not already accepted Christ, to do so. Nine friends openly accepted the challenge, and during the quarter special services will be held to welcome them into Church membership.

Our thanks are due to God that His Spirit has been so graciously at work amongst us.

BAPTISM.—Maureen Elizabeth May, infant daughter of James Patrick and Thelma May Kreig, at Port Germein Church.

WEDDING.—Walter Callary to Beryl Ottaway.

JOHN MCTIER.

1937 - '38

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, Ida Emily Spencer to Andrew Collin Gladstone McCallum; 6th April, Florence Eva Ottaway to August Victor Ramke. Baptism: Geoffrey Noel, infant son of Albert Lawrence and Lorna Marcia Briggs.

1937 - '38

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 untiring 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 troublesome 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.

PREACHERS: 1939

J. McTIER, Port Germein
J. Hillam, Baroota
P. Williams, Baroota
F. McDougall, Baroota

HELPERS:

W. Spencer, Mambray
Mrs. McTyer

BALANCE SHEET for Quarter ended 30th September, 1938.

	£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Port Germein Collections ..	2	19	4	Minister's Stipend ..	42	10	0
Donation ..	0	5	0	Car Allowance ..	10	0	0
Baroota Collections ..	5	15	2	Children's Fund ..	0	18	6
C.E. ..	2	0	0	Connexional Fund ..	0	11	9
Donation ..	0	10	0	Removal Expenses Fund ..	0	8	0
Concert (Hill Billy) ..	3	5	0	Ministerial Fund ..	0	8	0
Mambray Collections ..	3	0	2	Home Mission Retiring Fund			
GUILD				(Circuit) ..	1	10	0
Spring Show ..	18	0	6	Plans ..	0	18	6
Home Mission Grant ..	1	15	0	Duty Stamps ..	0	0	4
				Overdue Levies ..	0	11	3
Owing to Minister ..	41	5	8	Interest ..	0	17	6
Bank Overdraft ..	45	0	0				
	45	13	8	Deficiency ..	58	13	10
					73	6	6
					£131	19	4

W. J. McDOUGALL,
J. M. HILLAM,
Circuit Stewards.

1940

During the past quarter Harvest Thanksgiv-
ing 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. Wool-
ford 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 the Overseas Missions, and on
Sunday, June 9, collections for the day will be
given to support that worthy cause.

WEDDINGS--

John William Wauchape to Kathleen Lucy
Woodford at Baroota on January 31.

Ernest Gordon Blieschke to Edna Millicent
Sturfield at Port Germein, February 2.

DEATHS--

Mrs. A. Woolford 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 depart-
ments of our Sunday School work, followed by
a soul-searching address given by our Chairman,
Rev. D. T. Redden, emphasising the point,
"What must I do?"

On the 16th June the Christian Endeavour
Anniversary was held at Baroota with good con-
gregations. 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 testi-
monies, vocal items, and an address by Rev.
A. E. Vogt was enjoyed by all.

G. DUNN.

CIRCUIT NOTES. 1941

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
Setareki Tul Lovani, of Fiji, in the interests of
our Overseas Missions. Inspired by God,
Setareki 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.

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

G. DUNN.

Stewards 1941

Mambray—Mr. J. Spencer.
Mr. R. Phillis.

CIRCUIT STEWARDS— 1940

Mr. W. J. McDougall (Senior), Mr. J. M. Hilliam (Junior).

CHURCH STEWARDS— COMMUNION STEWARDS—

Germein—Mr. S. Broadbear.
Mr. O. Broadbear.

Mrs. S. Broadbear

Baroota—Mr. R. Williams.
Mr. L. Beyer.

Mrs. R. Williams.

Mambray—Mr. J. Spencer.
Mr. G. Walker

Miss M. Spencer.

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 shoulder 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! Ave 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 events are making big 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 a sane view of things and see that everything has God as its basis, otherwise it will not stand. There is an individual responsibility resting on each one of our Church. If one shirks the cause suffers. Don't be the shirker.

Our first Quarterly Meeting since our coming into our new circuit was held at Mr. W. Spencer's at Mambray, was well attended and 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 members' cooperation is solicited.

Our thanks is due to the Baroota Ladies' Guild for their donation 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 anxiety 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. Hillam, 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 Germoin. We are hoping for a very successful event, and also for the Baroota Strawberry Fete, to be held on Nov. 30th.

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

Ere 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. Germoin—Mr. Broadbear,

Mr. E. Calliss,

Baroota—Mr. F. McDougall

Mr. Hobart.

Mambray—Mr. J. Spencer

Pt. Germoin Cong. Representative:

Mr. N. J. Andrews.

COMMUNION STEWARDS:

Pt. Germoin—Mrs. Broadbear

Baroota—Mr. R. Williams

Mambray—Miss M. Spencer

SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUPERINTENDENTS:

Pt. Germoin—Miss Henderson

Baroota—Mr. J. Hillam.

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 whole-hearted co-operation and prayer to accomplish this. Many do 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, Mrs. 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 right royal welcome.

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

W. J. C. KUNST.

INCOME.

Port Germoin T. Offering	7	18	10
Sale of Fruit	4	6	6
Baroota Thank Offering	15	6	6
Subscriptions	1	5	0
Wedding Fees	3	0	0
Mambray Thank Offering	5	11	1
Interest	1	4	0

Credit Last Quarter	£38	9	11
	£108	3	7
	£142	13	3

EXPENDITURE.

Minister's Stipend	55	0	0
Travelling Allowance	10	0	0
Children's Fund	1	2	3
Connexional Fund	1	19	0
Removal Expenses	15	9	0
Ministerial Training Fund	1	1	0
Plans	1	5	0
Telephone Rent	1	12	6
Telephone Calls	1	4	10
Church Journal	3	6	6
Baptism Registrar	12	6	6

Credit Balance this Qr.	£74	16	4
	£67	17	2
	£142	13	6

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 clamoring 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 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 sensible 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 tumbles in." 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 Mambrey. the late Mrs. E. 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:

Pt. Germein—Mr. Broadbent.

Baroota—Mr. F. McDougall

Mr. Hobart. T.W.

Mambrey—Mr. J. Spencer

Pt. Germein Cong. Representative:

Mr. N. J. Andrews.

COMMUNION STEWARDS:

Pt. Germein—Mrs. Broadbent

Baroota—Mr. R. Williams

Mambrey—Miss M. Spencer

SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUPERINTENDENTS:

Pt. Germein—Mrs. Kunst.

Baroota—Mr. J. Hilliam.

Mr. P. Williams (Assistant)

**PORT GERMEIN
METHODIST
CIRCUIT.**

Minister:

Pastor W. J. C. Kunst

**PLAN
OF
SERVICES**

1947

NOVEMBER, DECEMBER AND
JANUARY, 1947-48

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PORT GERMEIN METHODIST CIRCUIT PLAN, 1947-8

PLACES and TIMES	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25
PORT GERMEIN 11 a.m. 2 1/2 p.m. 7 p.m.	Kunst	Rev. Sun. Kunst	Kunst	Kunst	Kunst	Kunst	Kunst	Xmas Kunst	Kunst	Kunst	Kunst	Kunst	Kunst
BAROOTA 1 1/2 p.m. 2 1/2 p.m. 7 p.m.	Kunst	Kunst	Williams	Kunst	McDougall	Kunst	Kunst	Hilliam	Kunst	Kunst	Hilliam	Closed	H.T. Supply
MAMBREY 3 p.m. 7 p.m.	Kunst	McDougall	Kunst	Hilliam	Kunst	Kunst	Spencer	Kunst	McDougall	Kunst	H.T. Supply	Closed	Closed

PREACHER
Rev. W. J. KUNST
A. Gerach.
J. Hilliam, Baroota
P. Williams, Baroota
F. McDougall, Baroota
W. Spencer, Mambrey

W. H. SPENCER
Circuit Stewards: J. M. HILLIAM

BALANCE SHEET
For Quarter Ending 30th Sept., 1947

INCOME.	
Port Germein T. Offering	6 2 9
Subscription	5 0
Baroota Thank Offering	13 1 8
Subscriptions	1 10 0
Mambrey Thank Offering	5 3 6
Monies Collected for:	
Home Mission	24 15 6
Babies' Home	3 4 0
Social Service	3 12 0
Overseas Mission	6 10 10
Credit Bal. Last Quarter	£64 9 3
	£141 12 0
EXPENDITURE.	
Minister's Allowance	55 0 0
Travelling Allowance	7 10 0
Manse	2 0 0
Connexional Charges	1 19 0
Removal Charges	15 9
Ministerial Fund	1 1 0
H.M. Retirement Fund	1 10 0
Monies Collected for:	
H.M. (including one Sunday's Coll.)	26 9 6
Social Services	3 12 9
Babies' Home	3 4 0
Overseas Mission	6 10 10
Plans	1 5 0
Phone Rent	1 12 6
Calls	7 6
Sacramental Wine	2 6
Credit Bal. This Quarter	£112 19 7
	£28 12 5
	£141 12 0

CAR DRIVERS: 1—T. Hobart; 2—K. E. Mayes; 3—L. J. Mudge; 4—F. J. McDougall; 5—J. M. Hilliam; 6—P. R. Williams 7—I. Pethge; 8—N. Andrew.

R.S.—Remembrance Sunday

Next Quarterly Meeting to be held Tuesday, January 8th, at 8 p.m., at Port 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: Baroota Ladies' Guild meets on fourth Saturday in the month. Port Germein Ladies' Guild meets third Thursday in the month.

1948

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 Germein Sunday School Anniversary is over.

You will be interested to note the following dates:—The Church Anniveraries as shown on the plan. Home Mission Sunday, Sept. 5th. On August 30th and 31st the H.M. Field Secretary will show color 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. Gutherlet, of the Port Pirie Central Mission has undertaken to visit Port Germein 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 Mambray three evening services and Germein three afternoon services, relying on those who made the requests to support these services. If these trial services receive the support promised Quarterly Meeting has agreed that they shall be continued.

E. G. C. WISDOM.

1948-49

The financial position of the circuit can be called a matter for considerable concern. Application has been made to the Home Missions Department for assistance, but this Department has numerous and heavy calls on its funds from areas that are insufficiently developed to support themselves. If this circuit is not self-supporting, the Work of God is being hampered in these areas. Cannot we raise the sum necessary? To avoid future applications we would have to raise an additional £75 to £100 per annum, or 30/- to 40/- per week. The envelope system is to be tried and should considerably increase the income of the circuit, helping it to meet this amount. Can we not increase our collections? And by this means account for an increase of from 10/- to 15/- per week.

CAN'T WE DO THIS?

The Church needs the support of everyone who believes in God, right and decency. The Progress of the Church measures the Progress of the world.

1949-50

The Baroota Church anniversary was very successful. The special speaker for the week-end, 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.

While much very fine work had been put into preparations for the Germein Church Anniversary yet the attendance at these services was very disappointing. We are grateful to the choir, which worked hard and put up a very fine performance. We had excellent speakers: the Rev. Shanks, 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 Bros. Priestly and Eric Hilliam for their generous donation of peas (228 bags). I very much appreciated the help they gave in sewing up the bags, after weighing in the peas, and despatching the bags to Melbourne. I also wish to thank Mr. C. R. Crittenden for his bounteous gift of six acres of peas (174 bags). Not forgetting to say thank you to Mr. Clout and his willing workers on the field. While the final results of this effort are not yet known the £40 debt on the Kinder-ten has been cleared, and another £40 given to our 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 Germein.

D. H. RUDDOCK.

CIRCUIT NOTES

1949

The Quarterly Meeting desires to express its appreciation of the efforts of the convener of the Christmas carol singing (Mr. and Mrs. F. Prettejohn and Mr. and Mrs. P. McDougal). Thanks are also due to Mr. Rasche. The Quarterly Meeting also highly commended the singing of the Circuit Choir, which was convened on the suggestion of Mrs. O. Broadbear. The Circuit thanks all those ladies who assisted at the two very successful notes held during the past quarter for their hard and skilful work. Mrs. Wisdom and I would like to express our gratitude for the hospitality and friendship of all in the Circuit, both those who attend the Methodist Church and those who are of other denominations. We pray that God may bless this Circuit and all within its boundaries. Also those who are coming to take up the work of the ministry here.

We confidently commend Pastor and Mrs. Ruddock to your care. We know you will realise they are straight from England, and your kindly help and above all your friendship will be of great assistance to them in facing the problems of a new country and in filling the gap in their lives, caused by the leaving behind them of all their familiar friends.

Our final wish for you is expressed in the words of verses 24 to 26 inclusive of chapter 6 of the book of Numbers.

E. G. C. WISDOM.

CIRCUIT NOTES

1949

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 in these notes the appreciation and gratitude which Mrs. Ruddock and I feel for the very kindly and helpful reception we received at the Manse upon our arrival in Port Germein. We had heard it reported unto the ends of the earth that 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 forgetting to say thanks to the Angels who washed the dishes and those who laid the linoleum. We would express thanks to the Ladies' Guilds for 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 knitted 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.

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 ask growers to give donations of pens to assist circuit funds.

J. W. HILLAM.

CIRCUIT NOTES.

1950

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 its 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 occupation; 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 a very important part of the work of a minister.

During the last quarter the three highlights 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, when nearly 40 children sang praises to God. Both the choir-master 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. Germein.

E. H. DEUTSCHER.

CIRCUIT NOTES.

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. Germein.

Church anniversary services were held at all three churches during the quarter. Firstly at Baroota on August 20th, then at Port Germein on September 24th, and finally at Mambray Creek on October 8th. The Revd. G. Pemberton, of Port Augusta, was the guest preacher for Mambray Creek at both services. His bright presentation of his message was greatly appreciated by a large congregation. Our special thanks are due to our choir-master, 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. Hobart and family, to Mr. and Mrs. Hender and family, and to Mrs. Dodgson—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 OFFICIALS. 1951			
Circuit Stewards—Mr. J. Hillam, Baroota; Mr. W. Spencer, Mambray.			
	PORT GERMEIN	BAROOTA	MAMBRAY
Church Stewards	Mr. O. Broadbear Mr. N. Andrew	Mr. F. McDougall Mr. T. Hobart	Mr. J. Spencer
Communion Stewards	Mrs. O. Broadbear	Mrs. P. Williams	Mrs. Coo
S.S. Sups.	Pastor Deutscher Mrs. E. H. Deutscher (Kinder.)	Mr. J. Hillam Mr. F. Williams (Assist.)	—
Members' Rep.	Mr. F. H. FrettoJohn	—	—
Ladies' Guild Rep.	Mrs. E. Deutscher	—	—
Secretary—Overseas Missions, Mr. P. Williams; Home Missions, Mr. Hobart.			

CIRCUIT NOTES.

There have been several events that stand out during the past quarter. The first was the Port Germein annual fete, held in October. It was a most successful function owing to the united efforts of the Port Germein Ladies' Guild and a willing group of helpers. The fete concluded with an amateur hour in the evening, which brought forward to light some excellent efforts from local talent. The strawberry fete, organised by the Baroota Ladies' Guild followed in November. This event also was most satisfactory in every way. Financial returns from both efforts were a record and augmented both Circuit and Guild funds. The Port Germein ladies and the Baroota ladies wish to especially thank the men for all their help on both occasions.

Another very happy event was the Spencer-Pasche wedding, solemnized at the Port Germein church by the Rev. Guthrielet, followed by a reception catered for in a most praiseworthy manner by the Baroota Ladies' Guild. We wish Harvey and Joan a happy and prosperous New Year in their new life together.

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

At the church service in the evening a well-attended carol service, annotated from the pulpit, and with Mr. Hender in charge of the choir, was greatly appreciated. On Christmas Eve a group of carol singers, in charge of Mr. F. McDougall and with Mr. L. Hender at the organ, climbed aboard Mr. McDougall's truck and toured the town, stopping at strategic points to heartily sing selected carols to old and young. The efforts of the Youth Choir each Sunday evening make a valuable contribution to the services. The results of the written examination at the close of the year's Religious Instruction in the State schools of Port Germein and Manabira Creek were most gratifying. We congratulate Milton Hender on being accepted as a Home Missionary by the Dept., also Mr. and Mrs. F. Pfeifferjohn on the birth of a son—Trevor. We express our sympathy to Mr. N. Andrews in the loss of his loved wife.

In conclusion we wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year, and look forward to sharing with you Christian Fellowship and the work of the Church during the coming quarter.

CIRCUIT NOTES

Harvest Thanksgiving. January 28th was the time and Baroota Church was the place of the first Harvest Thanksgiving Services of the year, when two well attended services with special singing, marked the occasion. Next on the list was Port Germein where on February 18th, well attended afternoon and evening Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held. Two pleasant memories are: the fine display of fruit and flowers and the excellent singing of the choir under the conductor, Mr. L. Hender. Mambra quickly followed with their Harvest Thanksgiving, two services being conducted, when again, a very pleasing number of members and adherents came to both services.

Sunday School Anniversary was held at Baroota on February 11th, when our retiring chairman of the district, Rev. Milton Maley, conducted both services to appreciative congregations. The children, under Mrs. F. McDougall, sang suitable numbers. The picnic was held at Baroota Reservoir on Feb. 17th.

New Sunday School. At a meeting at Mambra on Feb. 20th, it was decided to form a Sunday School, which opened on March 11th, and is now being held fortnightly. **New Preaching Place.** A trial service at Baroota Aboriginal Reserve on January 7th was so encouraging that a monthly morning service is provided for in the new plan. **Prayer and Bible**

BALANCE SHEET

Quarter Ending 31st March, 1951

	£	s.	d.
INCOME			
Port Germein Thankoffering	10	0	0
H.T. Offering	0	15	6
Subscriptions	2	0	0
Baroota Thankoffering	13	14	4
H.T. Offering	13	2	3
Mambra	7	0	4
Guild	31	0	0
Credit Last Quarter	£84	8	5
	£206	0	3

School Study Group newly begun at the Pt. Germein Church alternate Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. would welcome others to share in this Fellowship. **Junior Youth Fellowship** has been formed in addition in the Senior Fellowship, and meets regularly fortnightly at the Manse. On Easter Monday the Senior Youth Fellowship enjoyed an outing to Tlowie Gorge.

General. We thank those who assisted at the busy bee at Port Germein Church. Water has since been laid on to the property, and we are hoping soon to improve the church building and grounds.

Personal. Our deep sympathy is expressed to Mrs. Dave Beyer and family in the sudden passing of Mr. Beyer, of Baroota. Mr. Beyer was held in warm esteem by all. At the close of the service at Baroota on March 18th opportunity was taken to farewell Mr. and Mrs. Mayes, sur, and Mr. and Mrs. K. Mayes and family. They will be greatly missed. We are pleased to know that Mrs. Tiller has made a good recovery after her illness, also that Mrs. Ramsay is making a good recovery after her operation. Congratulations to Mr. Milton Hender on his appointment to Yon-gala. We wish him God's blessing in his future work. At our quarterly meeting a welcome from the circuit was extended to our new District Chairman, Rev. D. Longbottom.

E. H. DEUTSCHER.

	£	s.	d.
EXPENDITURE			
Minister's Stipend	77	10	0
Travelling Expenses	19	0	0
Linen Allowance	2	0	0
Children's Fund	2	3	0
Connexional Charges Fund	2	5	0
Removal Expenses Fund	18	3	0
Ministerial	1	10	6
H.M. Retirement	1	10	0
Plans	1	12	0
Telephone Rent	1	12	0
Telephone Calls	2	8	3
Stamps	14	0	0
Cheque Forms	1	0	0
Credit This Quarter	£113	13	0
	£177	0	11

£200 14 8

Circuit Stewards: J. M. HILLMAN
W. H. SPENCER

Audited and found correct,
F. J. McDOUGALL
P. R. WILLIAMS

In reviewing the past quarter, the first events that memory recalls, are the Mother's Day services on May 13th, which were held at Baroota in the afternoon and at Pt. Germein in the evening and the following Sunday afternoon at Mambra. In spite of exceptional wet weather there was a fine response from all congregations. The Pt. Germein Ladies Guild made a special Jubilee Effort on June 2nd, by holding a Pot and Handicraft Show at the Institute. Fortunately the weather was fine, and thanks to the united efforts of all helpers exhibitors, and a good response from the community, the result was a most enjoyable day, with the pleasing financial return of £102/4. The Annual Get Together organised by the Baroota Ladies Guild was held in the Institute on June 14th, the items supplied by the Port Pirie Ladies were of high standard and much enjoyed. On Sunday July 1st, the Circuit was honored by a visit of our superintendent, Rev. G. W. Stapley and Mrs. Stapley. Rev. Stapley conducted a recognition service at Baroota in the afternoon and Port Germein in the evening when 21 new members were admitted into the church. We ask God's blessing on all these new members and warmly welcome them. Our Sunday School Anniversary at Port Germein was held on Sunday July 8th at 3 p.m. and at 7 p.m. when Rev. D. Howland of Risdon Park conducted the services and delighted the children with his stories. In spite of really arctic weather both children and congregation turned out in force and the fine singing of the children conducted by Mr. L. Hender, was enjoyed by all. Hymns were sung from the new Sunday School Hymnal and were favourably commented on. **PERSONAL.** On June 18th towns and district met at the Institute to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Peck's job and family who have since taken up duties at Clarendon P.O. We welcome into our midst Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell and family, who have now settled in at the local P.O.; also Mr. and Mrs. Lamshed and family. Sgt. Lamshed has come from Port Pirie to take over the Police Station. We are pleased to see that Kevin ("Tubby") Damsie is about again after his long illness. Also Mrs. George Tee, who is making a good recovery after her operation. Glad to know that Mrs. Reg. Alford is now home from hospital, and wish her a speedy return to strength. It is good to see Mrs. Fred McDougall about again after her long illness. Congratulations to a number of proud parents on the arrival of new sons and daughters.

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 it should not be long before he is back with us again. Rev. Martin, from Crystal Brook, conducted the Baroota Church Anniversary Services on August 17th, and all were glad to welcome him back into the circuit. Rev. Longbottom, of Solomonstown, was the preacher for the Port Germein Anniversary Services on Sept. 9th. Both visiting ministers gave great messages to good congregations. We thank Mr. Hender for his services in training both Baroota and Port Germein 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. Selwood will be the guest 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. Tiller. We were sad to hear of the passing of Mrs. McDougall, while she 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 to health that I again write these notes. By all reports the Circuit Jubilee Celebrations held in the Port Germein Institute on November 4th, were most enjoyable and inspiring. Rev. J. Tilwood was guest speaker at the P.S.A. in the afternoon, and his message at night was challenging. The augmented choir under Mr. L. Hender, gave of their best and the appreciative reports of the high standard of their efforts are a tribute to both choir and conductor. There were many happy reunions as friends and former residents met at the community tea, which was an enjoyable part of the celebrations.

At the end of November the Baroota Ladies' Guild held their annual strawberry fete, which was an outstanding success, reflected in the record takings.

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

On Sunday, December 23rd, I was privileged to conduct my first service since my illness. Mr. Hender had trained the choir to sing a number of Cornish carols, each of which was suitably introduced by especially chosen portions of Scripture and a relevant message.

At the recent quarterly meeting it was unanimously resolved to thank all donors of peats for circuit funds, and bags of wheat for the Manse 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 Germein 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.

CIRCUIT NOTES

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The quarter just ending began under the shadow of the sudden death of His Late Majesty, King George VI, in memory of whom a well-attended Memorial Service was held at the Port Germein Institute on February 10. Our loyal thoughts go out to our young Queen Elizabeth II, and trust that she will have a long and prosperous reign under God's guidance and blessing.

Mambray Church was the place and 3rd February the time when a very enjoyable Harvest Festival was celebrated, and thanks rendered to God for a bountiful harvest. This was followed by the S.S. Anniversary at Baroota on February 17th, when two special services marked the occasion. A flannel graph lesson in the afternoon and a film service in the evening, accompanied in each case by the singing of the scholars, trained by Mrs. F. McDougall. A community tea was held between services, which helped to fix this happy occasion in the memory of all.

Then on 23rd March at Port Germein and we were favoured by the visit of Mr. R. Harding, of Port Pirie, who conducted both services at the Harvest Thanksgiving. On March 29th the Port Germein Annual Autumn Fair was held at the In-

I would like to draw your attention to the reading of this plan.

Whenever we are inclined to be anxious about the state of world affairs, the persecution of the church in Communist lands, and the indifference and materialism of many, it is of real value to reflect that nothing is too hard for our God, and the one thing necessary for us as Christians is Faith backed up by Works.

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 Manse, Church and Kindergarten Hall in Pt. Germein is functioning excellently and is a real asset to the work.

May this increase in material light be symbolic of our increase of spiritual light in the hearts and minds of all.

One of the bright features emerging 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.

stitute, and was opened by Mrs. Crittenden. At the Institute on March 29th we were favoured by a concert party from Solomonstown. Opportunity was taken to say farewell to our late chairman, Rev. and Mrs. Longbottom.

At our Quarterly Meeting on April 3rd Janestown, was welcomed to our circuit.

Personal—An April 9th local and district residents gathered at the Institute to say farewell to Arthur Deutscher, Douglas Hender and Mr. and Mrs. Munroe and family, who are leaving the district. The sudden passing of Max Atkinson was a shock to the whole community and our sincere sympathy goes out to the young widow, and to both Max and Joan's relatives in their great loss. It is good to see Jack Spencer about again after his recent operation. Also Mr. Hobart, Sr., who is progressing well after his recent operation. Best wishes for many years of wedded bliss to Les and Phyl Coe, who were married recently at the Port Germein Church. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Herb Walker on the birth of their son Don; Mr. and Mrs. P. Dahlenbury, a daughter; Dianne; Mr. and Mrs. F. Havers, a son Colin; Mr. and Mrs. L. Mudge, a daughter, Kaylene.

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made fully known as soon as arrangements are completed.

All three Churches, Baroota on August 10th, Pt Germein on August 31st and Mambray Creek on October 3rd, celebrated their Church Anniversaries, this quarter with special services.

There have been an unusual number of bereavements recently: Mr. George Ottaway and Mrs. Harold Hoskin, both of Pt. Germein, and Mrs. Palmer of Mambray Creek, have all passed on to the Life Beyond. Our hearts go out in sympathy to all the bereaved. May God sustain and comfort them.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Baggs on the birth of a daughter, Mrs. Max Atkinson a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Viv Williams a son, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Lempre a daughter.

In conclusion we both look forward to the future in confidence, knowing that our spiritual strength, our light, and in Jesus Christ our salvation and hope now and always.

Christian regards to all,

PASTOR E. DEUTSCHER.

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The main centre of interest and effort for the coming quarter is the Mission to the nation 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 opportunity to hear the Christian message. So this is a challenge to all 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 every means that come to mind, break down the barrier that folk outside Church put up as a sort of self defence of a 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 Miss R. Fuller, sec. of the Women's Home Mission Association at the end of the month, and Miss

Barbara Pitt, Superintendent of the Brighton Babies Home at the end of October.

PERSONAL: We regret the passing of two old identities of Pt Germein in the passing of Mrs. C. Clements and Mrs. Geo. Clements. They will both be greatly missed and sympathy is expressed 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. Coe and Mr. Baker of Mambrey are their old selves again after their recent mishaps. Congratulations to Mrs. A. Henderson and Mr. and 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 in turn.

Pastor E. H. Deutscher

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

This has been a quarter of special activity by the ladies of the circuit. The Port Germein Annual Fair on March 28th which as well as being a great financial success (gross takings £130), 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 work of 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.

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"God loveth the cheerful giver." How that verse in the 9th chapter of 2nd Corinthians kept coming to my mind at our Quarterly Meeting recently, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. McDougall, of Baroota. For instance; the happy custom of holding our Quarterly Meetings at the homes of our members, thus helping to establish a cheerful informal atmosphere in which to discuss 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. Stewards, Ladies' Guilds, members, adherents and friends all happily uniting and cheerfully giving. What an inspiration for us at the manse to also give of our best in service to you all in the name 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 service; then at Port Germein on August 23rd, when Pastor Kunst from Port Broughton conducted two very successful anniversary services. Pastor and Mrs. Kunst enjoyed renewing old acquaintances. On October 11th Rev. D. Cornish, from Solomontown, came up to Mambrey to conduct their anniversary. The new church hall was beautifully decorated and a large congregation listened to 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 Hillam.

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

EDGAR DEUTSCHER

PERSONAL

On Dec. 27th district residents met to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Viv, and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Priestly HULLAM, ALSO MR. AND Mrs. Flew, who are accompanying the two Williams families to W.A. — Mr. and Mrs. Priestly Hillam are making their home on Kangaroo Island. They will leave a big gap in the church life at Baroota.

At the last Port Germein Guild Meeting opportunity was taken to present a gift to Mrs. Shaw, who will shortly reside in Adelaide. — Congratulations to Mr. Milton Hender on attaining his majority on Jan. 13th. — Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Spencer on the safe arrival of their son, Peter William. — We are pleased to note that various members and their families are now recovering from operations and sickness, and are glad to see them back among us. — An old identity and Church member, Mr. J. Glasson, was recently laid to rest in the Port Germein Cemetery. — Sorry to note that Mr. George Clements is still in Port Pirie Hospital. — We would like to assure Mr. Sam Broadbear of our prayers for a full recovery to health.

In closing I wish you all both temporal and spiritual health and happiness for 1953.

PASTOR E. H. DEUTSCHER.

Baroota Ladies' Guild have reason to be pleased and all helpers reason to be thankful for the outstanding success of their annual Strawberry Fete, held at the Baroota Hall on Nov. 29th. The financial returns totalled to a new record.

The Family Service, held in the Port Germein Kinder Hall on December 21st, was a new venture. Parents and scholars gathered together for a Christmas Service of carols and worship during which a Christmas play and Biblical sketch was presented by the scholars. Gifts from the Christmas tree were presented to the children. That same evening a carol service was held at the Port Germein Church when Cornish carols were sung by an augmented choir conducted by Mr. L. Hender. It was good to hear the Church bell ringing in Port Germein on Christmas morning, reminding all that this was the day when all the Christian world rejoiced. The service was appreciated by all who attended.

On behalf of the Manse Trust I wish to thank all donors to the Manse Trust Funds and thereby justified the faith of the Trustees in the installation of the Electric Lighting Plant.

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Three events—among others—in the life of the Circuit during the last quarter linger pleasantly in the memory.

The first was the occasion of the baptism of the three young ladies at the Baroota Church on Sunday, July 4th: Robyn Mudge, Vickie Hillam and Rosalie Henderson made a charming trio when they were presented by their parents at the baptismal ceremony.

The second was the fine attendance and the happy atmosphere at the quarterly meeting on July 6th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Spencer, at Mambray, when our new chairman of the district, Rev. F. C. Wilms, presided.

And the third, the very successful Sunday School Anniversary at Port Germein on July 11th, when Rev. Wilms again journeyed out from Port Pirie to take both services. The day was beautiful, the attendance splendid, and the children conducted by Mr. Lionel Hender, were to be congratulated on their fine effort. Little Susan Mitchell distinguished herself as a promising soloist.

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 Germein on 23rd August, also the visit of the Deputy Superintendent of Home Missions, the Rev. A. E. Bell, on October 5th, and lastly Mrs. Arthur Blacket on October 10th, when she will conduct the Port Germein Ladies' Guild Anniversary Services.

We pray for the success of the Mission to the Nation in all its aspects—for the work at Bangor, that the good response there will continue and grow, and for the work of the Circuit generally that hearts may be stirred 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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The outstanding event of this quarter was the visit of the President of our Methodist Conference, Rev. G. S. Wellington on August 23rd. The attendance was marred somewhat by violent thunderstorm just before the meeting, but all those who came shared in a very happy time of fellowship at the service and afterwards at the supper in the Kinder Hall.

Speaking of the Kinder Hall, its looks are greatly improved by the lining and painting of the walls, and thanks are extended to all who helped towards this improvement.

On October 4th we were very pleased to have with us the Deputy Superintendent of Home Missions, the Rev. Arthur Bell, who spoke convincingly and brightly on the work and net of our Home Missions. It was an education to learn of all the varied activities of our Home Mission Dept. The books displayed received lively attention and a ready sale.

On Sunday, October 10th, we had the pleasure of listening to Mrs. Arthur Blacket (wife of the Principal of Wesley College at P.S.A.), and at the evening service, the occasion being the Port Germein Ladies' Guild Anniversary. In the afternoon Mr. Blacket spoke on the work of Overseas Missions amongst the Indians in Fiji, and in the evening she stressed the value of the work of women in the church from its beginning till this day. Members of the Ladies' Guild ably assisted in the evening service, and their choir items were appreciated during both afternoon and evening services.

At a well-attended Quarterly Meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. Broadbear it was noted with pleasure and surprise that special donations to the Circuit Funds exceeded our best hopes, which is reflected in the healthy state of our balance sheet, and warm thanks are due to all who gave so generous help, it was resolved at the above meeting to write to our Governor representative stressing the need to resist the efforts of the Wine Industry to licence grocers.

We are looking forward to a quarter of quiet, steady work and God's blessing on all our efforts.

We are happy to welcome Bangor officially into our Circuit and we feel sure that they will soon feel at home with us.

To all those ill or bereaved, we extend our sympathy as a share in the joys of those who are blessed with health and prosperity.

Finally, congratulations to all who have helped to keep our Circuit so splendidly self-supporting during the last five years, proving that Port Germein Circuit, though small in numbers, Spiritually, of course, we recognise that we are always dependent on the everlasting mercies of the Eternal.

Yours—in the Master's Service,
EDGAR H. DEUTSCHER.

Friday, the 13th November, again disproved any superstitious theories regarding dates, for it was the occasion of a very happy evening when members of the Solomontown Young People's Concert Party gave a sparkling variety concert in aid of Marnie Trust Funds.

That the Baroota and Mambray Ladies' Guild is not weary of well doing, has been proved by the successful Copation Strawberry Fete held at Baroota Hall on Nov. 23rd. This fete was opened by Mrs. P.O. Broadbear, a past resident of Baroota. Thanks are due to all who helped on stalls, side shows and pictures. The Christmas Tree and Father Christmas lent a festive air to the occasion.

The Combined Circuit Choir, under the leadership of Mr. L. Hender, choir-master, journeyed out to Baroota on December 13th, and sang a number of Cornish carols. That same evening at Port Germein the choir took part in a full choral service, which was interspersed with suitable scripture reading.

On Sunday, Dec. 20th, parents met with the scholars at Port Germein Sunday School at a Family Service. A tall, shapely Christmas Tree held pride of place, on which were hung gifts for the children. A Christmas play and other items were presented by the scholars. Opportunity was taken to demonstrate to the parents modern teaching aids. Mrs. J. Poole generously made and decorated a Christmas cake, which was distributed at the close of the service.

On Sunday, January 10th, the new Christening Font, presented by Mr. S. J. Broadbear, in recognition of his wife's long association with the Port Germein Church, was unveiled by his son, Mr. O. Broadbear and dedicated to the service of God. This beautiful addition to our church furnishings was made by Mr. Eric Hillam, of Baroota.

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

The sudden passing of Mr. Jeffrey, Sr., of Mambray Creek, and Mr. Mudge, Sr., formerly of Baroota, came as a shock to our relatives and friends of the families concerned. We express our sympathy and pray that God will comfort them in their sorrow.

Congratulations to Les and Kath Henderson on the birth of their daughter, Rosalie Anne.

We are glad to see Mrs. Allan Hillam about again after her long illness.

In wishing you all a Happy and Prosperous New Year, I trust that the Church and all its avenues of Christian Service may prosper also.

Your Pastor,

E. H. DEUTSCHER

PT. GERMEIN METHODIST CIRCUIT		31st March, 1955	
PROJECTOR FUND			
Expenditure	£	s.	d.
Bell & Howell 16m. Projector	285	0	0
240 Volt Plant	135	1	6
Sub. Religious Film Society	1	1	0
Projector Lamp	2	5	10
Two Globes (240 V.)	—	5	2
Exit Lamp	—	11	0
To Balance	£31	5	6
	£455	10	0
Income			
Donations—Baroota Guild £100;			
P.G. Guild £50; Baroota S.S.			
& P.G. S.S. £3 10/-; Mr.			
& Mrs. F. J. McDougall £40;			
Mr. & Mrs. H. H. Webb £20;			
Mrs. Roberts £2	235	10	0
On loan	220	0	0
	£455	10	0

BALANCE SHEET		Quarter Ending 30th Sept., 1954	
INCOME			
Pt. Germein Thankoffering	£	s.	d.
Donation	8	12	0
Grant from Pt. Germein	10	0	0
Guild	16	0	0
Baroota Thankoffering	20	4	3
Mambray Thankoffering	6	19	8
Baroota and Mambray	34	0	0
Guild Grant	6	15	1
Bangor Thankoffering	3	8	0
Circuit Box	508	13	0
Donations	33	11	6
Home Mission Collections	2	14	0
S.S. Levies	6	7	3
Social Service	6	14	9
	£647	14	9
Credit Last Quarter	10	5	1
	£657	19	10

EXPENDITURE		Minister's Stipend	
Minister's Stipend	£	s.	d.
Travelling	145	0	0
Marnie Allowance	25	0	0
Children's Fund	2	0	0
Connexional Fund	5	3	3
Removal Fund	6	9	6
Ministerial Training Fund	8	18	0
Sunday School Levies	2	14	0
Home Mission Collections	33	11	6
Telephone Rent	2	3	9
Telephone Calls	4	4	4
Plans	1	13	9
Baptism Certificates	4	0	0
Sundries	7	0	0
	£239	18	1
Credit This Quarter	£418	1	9
	£657	19	10

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

	PORT GERMEIN	BAROOTA	MAMBRAY
Church Stewards	Mr. O. Broadbear Mr. N. Andrew	Mr. F. McDougall Mr. Y. Hobart	Mr. John Spencer Mr. Jack Spencer
Communion Stewards	Mrs. O. Broadbear	Mrs. P. Williams Mr. Eric Hilliam	Mrs. Coc
S.S. Supls.	Pastor Deutscher Mrs. E. H. Deutscher (Kinder.)	Mr. F. McDougall Mrs. F. McDougall (Kinder.)	Mr. W. Spencer
Members' Rep.	Mrs. A. Hutchinson	Mr. H. Webb	Mrs. W. Spencer
Ladies' Guild Rep.	Mrs. Barton	Mrs. J. Hilliam	—
Overseas Mission Collectors	Mr. Barton	Mr. P. Williams	Mrs. W. Spencer
Home Mission Collectors	Mr. O. Broadbear	Mr. Eric Hilliam	Mrs. W. Spencer

Secretaries—Overseas Missions, Mr. P. Williams; Home Missions, Mr. Eric Hilliam
 Sunday School Visitor: Mr. Eric Hilliam
 Circuit Secretary for Young People's Dept.: Mr. L. Mudge.

CIRCUIT NOTES

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 for service as they come within our orbit. The careful planning, plus enthusiasm and practical financial aid from our quarterly meeting members and Ladies' Guilds, 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 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 Manse Trust Funds. The special choir trained by Mr. L. Hender was a noteworthy help in our Christmas Carol Services at Port Germein, Baroota and Mambrey Creek. The Port Germein Christmas Tree and Christmas Family Service also were a gratifying success in every way, and well repaid the efforts of the willing helpers concerned.

An unusual event during the quarter was the wedding of two young part-aboriginal couples in the Port Germein Church. What handicaps these part-colored people face in life. An unsympathetic, often un-understanding public, apathy from within, weaknesses such as are akin to us all, make their future anything but rosy. But there is a new 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 epistle of John "May you prosper and be in health even as your soul prospers." Soul prosperity is the starting point. Material prosperity an added opportunity for service along the Christian way.

Yours in the Master's Service,
 PASTOR E. DEUTSCHER

CIRCUIT NOTES

After five years the time has come to say goodbye, and we take this opportunity of thanking all those who stood so loyally behind us through sickness and health, and all the ups and downs of life.

To the Ladies' Guilds who have worked so willingly and efficiently; the Circuit Stewards, Local Preachers and other Officials and all members and adherents, and also friends from other denominations and even those who do not own allegiance to any kindred church, we say "thank you" for your help and unflinching friendship.

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

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 choir brought us the Christmas story in song at our special Carol Services.

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

The Port Germein L.G.A. held in October was very successful. Speaking to a large congregation at the afternoon service, Mrs. Simons, of Port Pirie, spoke of her travel abroad and of the Churches she had visited. The evening service was led by Mrs. Goss.

The Church Anniversary at Mambrey 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 Baroota Strawberry Fair was again a credit to the Ladies' Guild, the amount of £180 approximately was raised. We thank all who worked hard for its success.

For Kate Cocks Babbs' Home and Overseas Centenary Fund, £7/12/6 and £2/10/8 were raised respectively, and we would also like to thank all those who generously gave peas and wheat to the Circuit and Manse Trust Funds.

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 servant. We also regret the passing of Mr. H. Richens, and one of our Aborigine friends.

We extend to all relatives and friends our sincere sympathy and we know that God will comfort you. "Looking to God from whence cometh our help," we pray that we may all work together to make the coming quarter a happy and fruitful one.

God be with us all.
 Your friend,
 PASTOR IVAN GOSS

CIRCUIT NOTES

Dear Christian Friends,

Once again another quarter has quickly slipped by holding many successful events. The S.S.A. at Port Germein proved a very happy one and we congratulate the children on their excellent singing under the leadership of Mr. Hender.

The Ladies' Guild L.C.A. was celebrated at Mambrey and it was a most enjoyable occasion, and we were pleased to hear from Mrs. Riches of Port Augusta.

Church Anniversaries at Baroota and Port Germein were well attended and we give thanks to Mr. Hender and choir for their anthems beautifully rendered.

We were very pleased by the visit of the President of the Conference, Rev. Hambley, who gave us a very interesting address.

We regret the passing of Mr. Barton from among us, but we thank God for his life and service. Mrs. Davies, a faithful old member of the congregation was also called Home.

The Guild catered for the wedding of Nancy Ryan and Max Hollif, and part of the proceeds was put into a cotton carpet for the manse, which is a much appreciated improvement.

We would like to thank all who have given freely to the work of God and especially for the work of Home and Overseas Missions, £35 and £32 being raised respectively.

At the celebration of Jack Spencer's 21st and Engagement Party the Mambrey ladies supplied the supper, and the proceeds are going into a kitchen for the Mambrey Church.

May we all seek God's guidance in the coming quarter that we might further His Kingdom in this, our Circuit.

Yours in His Service,

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 into the heavens by night and say there is no God.— Abraham Lincoln.

Dear Friends,

Christmas Greetings to you all from your minister and his family. May you have a happy and blessed Christmas. Christ is definitely the ideal. His way is the highest and the best. No man has ever attained the ideal and no man, not even the choicest saint, has ever walked unerringly in His way. But to keep on trying to be better and do better is the grandest thing any of us can attempt, and the endeavour is everything. A number of our people have been on the sick list during the quarter. We would like to assure them either at home or in hospital of our prayers for a full recovery to health. The sudden passing of Mr. Henry Callis came as a shock to relatives and friends concerned. We express our sympathy and pray that God will comfort them in their sorrow.

It is traditional for the people of Methodism to renew their Covenant with their God at the beginning of the year. This renewal is personal. We who are Methodist are strongly urged to renew our Covenant with our 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 entangled again 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 Caleb preached here. The Missionary vision has become clearer through Mr. Caleb's graphic presentation of the mission in Fiji. We, as a circuit, wish Mr. Caleb God's speed in his new appointment.

The Church has supported generously in the last quarter: Kate Cook's Babies' Home, £6/5/6; Overseas Mission, £2, and Christmas Bowl of Remembrance, £9/14/-.

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

MAURICE 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 Man. When Christ overcame the darkness of death He opened the door to all believers.

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

The Church of Christ and the individual Christians confirm through their experience that Christ is not dead. "He is risen" and this witness to His living presence by the Church has never ceased 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. Simpson by 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 we 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." I find that I am unable to express my gratitude.

The Harvest Festival Season was a great success. We have remembered our stewardship to Almighty God. The Harvest Gifts were: Port. Germein, £11/12/-; Baroota, £14/5/6; Mambrey Creek, £5/19/3; and Bangor, £5/2/2.

MAURICE A. LIND,
Student Minister.

1957-58-59

PASTORAL LETTER.

The Secret of Bible Study

1. Study it through. Never begin a day without your Bible until the passage you have studied is a part of your very being.
2. Put it down the thought God gives you, put it in the margin of your Bible or your notebook.
3. Work it out. Live the truth you get through all the hours of the day.
4. Pass it out. Seek to tell somebody what you have learned.

Dear Friends,

Baroota Sunday School held a very successful Anniversary Day on the 29th May. The Rev. C. Cotton conducted the service. The attendance was good and the children, conducted by Mr. Les Henderson, were to be congratulated on their fine efforts. The concert and prize giving night, also held in connection with the Anniversary, was an enjoyable evening.

The Junior Youth Fellowship, which commenced towards the end of last March, has now 22 on the roll. Five of the members represented the circuit at the Junior Camp at Wilmington last May, and from all accounts they are quite keen to go to the next one. At the last quarterly meeting the Chairman of the District welcomed two young men who were attending their first meeting. They were the Supt. of Baroota Sunday School, Mr. Ray Hobart, and Mambrey Church Steward, Mr. Cliff Spencer. Quarterly Meeting accepted a recommendation from a Parents' & Friends' Meeting, held at Baroota recently, that the commencement of Sunday School be altered to 2 p.m. for a trial period of three months, and that another Parents' & Friends' Meeting be called prior to next Quarterly Meeting to review the matter.

The first Church Parade of both Junior and Senior Youth Fellowships was held on Sunday evening, July 3rd, with members from both Fellowships taking part. The £135 deficiency appearing on the balance sheet causes concern. The late F. B. Moberly said "the Kingdom of God can never be established by raising money, but it can never be extended without raising money." Please make it a matter of prayer.

Yours in the Master's Service,
PASTOR ROSS F. SIMPSON.

We take this opportunity of thanking all the men who came to the working bees to help in the erecting of the cyclone fence in front of the Port Germein Church, also thanks to Mr. J. Jarvis for making a well for the church door mat. The trustees are indeed grateful to the work done by the men and the Ladies' Guild for the donation of the blinds and door mat also to the Youth Fellowship for the donation of a 4-gallon electric water urn.

Finally, I want to thank the many kind friends who sent or offered words of sympathy in the passing of my late father. It was a tremendous help to realise that so many were remembering us in their prayers.

Yours in the Master's Service,
PASTOR ROSS F. SIMPSON

PASTORAL LETTER

Thoughts 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 Dewey.

Dear Friends,

It was certainly a great thrill for all who attended the service at Baroota on Sunday, 28th June, to see 17 young people of the Circuit being received into full membership of the Church by the Chairman of the Northern District, the Rev. C. F. Williams. We congratulate them on the stand they have taken.

Friend—Have you ever thought of becoming a member of the Church? Since the 28th June five parents 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.

All three Churches will be holding their Church Anniversaries this quarter. Baroota on 9th August; Port Germein on September 20th and Mambrey on October 4th. The second Sunday School Anniversary (since reopening) will be held on 16th August. We look forward to seeing you on these occasions.

As this pastoral letter goes to print news has just come to hand that Mr. Fred McDougall and Mr. Stan Henderson, who are in Port Pirie Hospital, are both making good progress. 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 out to worship, we pray that help may come through other means.

Yours in the Master's Service,
PASTOR ROSS F. SIMPSON.

PORT GERMEIN METHODIST CIRCH

Film Statement for Quarter Ending June 30th, 1958.

INCOME	£ s. d.
Dr. at Large	17 3 5
My Man Godfrey Tammy	7 4 4
	7 13 1
Credit Last Quarter	£32 0 10
	£115 12 6
EXPENDITURE	
Dr. at Large	5 15 6
My Man Godfrey Tammy	6 5 0
Two Projector Lamps	5 2 5
One Loop Former	2 9 1
Trailer Registration	2 5 3
Insurance	10 0
Freight	1 12 5
	£29 9 8
Credit This Quarter	86 2 10
	£115 12 6

PROJECTOR FUND

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

Audited and Found Correct,
R. F. SIMPSON
P. R. WILLIAMS

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

1959-60

PORT GERMEIN METHODIST CHURCH
Film Statement for Quarter Ending Sept. 30th, 1959

	£	s.	d.
INCOME			
Week-end with Father	6	13	3
Meet Me at the Fair	12	1	3
Scott of the Antarctic	5	0	0
Perfect Women	10	11	6
Credit Last Quarter	£34	6	0
	86	2	10
	£120	8	10
EXPENDITURE			
Week-end with Father	5	10	0
Meet Me at the Fair	6	0	0
Freight	1	12	9
Two Exiter Lamps	1	19	8
Donation to P.G. Church	1	0	0
Scott of the Antarctic	5	0	0
Perfect Women	4	15	0
Freight	2	5	0
Service of Projector	2	5	0
One 750W Lamp	2	5	0
One Second-hand Lamp	5	0	0
Credit This Quarter	£29	18	10
	90	10	0
	£120	8	10
PROJECTOR FUND			
INCOME			
Previously Donated	275	11	9
On Loan	200	0	0
	£475	11	9
EXPENDITURE			
Plant	442	1	6
Credit	33	10	3
	£475	11	9

J. M. HILLAM,
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CIRCUIT OFFICIALS
 Circuit Stewards—Mr. J. Hillam, Baroota; Mr. W. Spencer, Mambray.

	PORT GERMEIN	BAROOTA	MAMBRAY
Church Stewards	Mr. O. Broadbear	Mr. T. Hobart Mr. E. Hillam	Mr. J. Spencer
Commn. Stewards	Mrs. O. Broadbear Mrs. Darby	Mrs. L. Mudge Mrs. F. McDougall Mrs. P. Williams Mrs. H. H. Webb	Mr. W. Spencer
S.S. Supts.	Mr. P. R. Williams Mrs. Darby	Mr. F. McDougall Mrs. L. J. Mudge (Kinder)	Mrs. W. Spencer
Members' Reprs.	Mrs. A. Hutchinson	Mrs. T. W. Hobart	Mrs. W. Spencer
Ladies' Guild	Mrs. O. Woolford	Mrs. J. Hillam	
Overseas Mission Collector		Mr. P. William	Mrs. W. Spencer
Home Mission Collectors		Mr. Eric Hillam	Mrs. W. Spencer

Secretaries—Overseas Mission: Mr. P. Williams, Home Mission: Mr. Eric Hillam.
 Sunday School Visitor: Mr. E. Hillam; Mr. F. McDougall.
 Circuit Secretary for Young People: Mr. L. Mudge.
 Circuit Choir Conductor: Mr. L. Henderson.

**PORT GERMEIN
 METHODIST
 CIRCUIT.**

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

MINISTER:
PASTOR R. F. SIMPSON
 Phone: Port Germein 207
 (continuous)

Please Inform the Minister
 Promptly of Any Cases of
 Sickness

Marriages and Baptisms as
 Solemnised by the Minister
 Elliott & Jones, Printers, Strathalbyn.

BALANCE SHEET
QUARTER ENDING 30th SEPTEMBER, 1959

	£	s.	d.
INCOME			
Port Germein Thankoffering	27	13	4
Special Donations	59	6	11
Baroota Thankoffering	37	17	3
Special Donations	129	5	10
Mambray Thankoffering	5	4	6
Bangor Thankoffering	7	12	9
Special Donations	35	3	9
	£302	4	4
EXPENDITURE			
Minister's Stipend	177	15	0
Travelling	30	0	0
Manse Allowance	3	0	0
Children's Fund	3	11	0
Connexional Charges Fund	7	4	6
Removal Expenses	1	12	0
Ministerial Training Fund	11	4	9
Car Depreciation Fund	18	15	0
H.M. Retirement Fund	2	10	8
Phone Rent	4	19	8
Phone Calls	1	1	0
Sacramental Wine	1	15	9
Certificates	2	0	0
Journal	2	0	0
Plans	3	7	7
Debit Last Quarter	£271	4	11
Credit This Quarter	30	19	5
	£302	4	4

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

SPECIAL SERVICES

Nov. 8th—Port Germein Ladies' Guild Service.
 Speaker Deaconess Bonython.
 Dec. 4th—Home Mission Deputation
 Dec. 13th—Community Carol Singing in Port
 Germein Institute at 8 p.m. Film, "To
 Exact a Gift," will be shown.
 Dec. 20th—Christmas Services Throughout the
 Circuit.
 Dec. 25th—Christmas Day Service, 9.15 a.m.
 Port Germein Church.
 Jan. 3rd—Covenant Services throughout Circuit.

PORT GERMEIN METHODIST CIRCUIT.

PLAN OF DIVINE SERVICES

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1960-61

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BALANCE SHEET

FOR QUARTER ENDING 30th SEPT., 1960

	£	s.	d.
INCOME			
Port Germein Thankoffering	44	8	4
Baroota Donation	23	10	0
Baroota Thankoffering	48	7	0
Donation	28	19	8
Mambrey Thankoffering	8	13	1
Bangor	5	0	0
H.M. Grant	135	2	5
Deficit This Quarter	532	2	6
	599	4	0
Deficit This Quarter	5491	6	6

	£	s.	d.
EXPENDITURE			
Minister's Stipend	199	10	0
Travelling: 1,629 miles at 9d. mile,			
561/1/9, less £18/15/-	42	6	9
Connexional Charges Fund	13	18	3
Manse Allowance	3	0	0
Children's Fund	7	5	3
Removal Expenses	3	7	0
Ministerial Training Fund	22	7	0
Dept. of Christian Education	8	18	9
Car. Depreciation	18	15	0
H.M. Retirement	2	10	0
Plans	3	0	0
Manse Trust Rent	17	10	0
Phone Calls	4	7	1
	7	9	0
Deficit Last Quarter	5356	4	1
	5135	2	5
Deficit Last Quarter	5491	6	6

Circuit Stewards, J. M. HILLAM

W. H. SPENCER

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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 share 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. Fraeman.

Dear Friends,

Another quarter has quickly slipped by, during which several successful Church Anniversaries were held at Baroota, Mambrey and Port Germein, the latter church being remodelled inside in time for the occasion.

This plan commences with a Circuit Rally, to be held in the Port Germein Institute. The Male Choir of S.A., from Adelaide. All outlying 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 their 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 with me in wishing you all a Happy and Blessed Christmas.

Yours in the Master's Service,

PASTOR ROSS F. SIMPSON

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

PORT GERMEIN METHODIST CIRCUIT	
Film Statement for Quarter Ending 30th Sept., 1960	
INCOME	£ s. d.
Living Desert	16 14 7
Treasure Island	11 3 0
Up to His Neck	12 11 0
Credit Last Quarter	540 8 7
	5133 6 6
EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.
Living Desert	6 5 2
Treasure Island	5 17 6
Up to His Neck	4 17 6
One Lamp	2 5 3
Cleaning Lense	2 0 0
Freight	9 10
Credit This Quarter	521 15 3
	5151 17 10
EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.
Previously Donated	275 11 9
On Loan	200 0 0
EXPENDITURE	£ s. d.
Plant	442 1 6
Credit	33 10 3
	5475 11 9

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

Some very popular hymns from the old Methodist Hymnal:—

316 7.3.7.3.7.7.3.
1 **W**E have heard a joyful sound:
 Jesus saves!
 Spread the gladness all around:
 Jesus saves!
 Bear the news to every land,
 Climb the steeps 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 craves;
 Sing in triumph o'er 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!

Priscilla Jane Owens, 1829-99.

317 10 11 11.7. and refrain
1 **W**HOSOEVER 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.

Whosoever will! Whosoever will!
Send the proclamation over vale
and hill;
'Tis the loving Father calls the
wanderer home;
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
 secure;
 Whosoever will, for ever shall
 endure:
 Whosoever will, 'tis life for ever-
 more;
 Whosoever will may come.

Philipp Bliss, 1838-76.

402 S.S.S.S. and refrain.
1 **F**AITH of our fathers, living still
 In spite of dungeon, fire, and
 sword,
 O how our hearts beat high with
 joy
 Whene'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 [3rd v. alt.], 1811-63.

498 7.7.7.7.7.
1 **R**OCK of Ages, cleft for me,
 Let me hide myself in Thee;
 Let the water and the blood,
 From Thy riven 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 zeal no respite know,
 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 eyelids close in death,
 When I soar to worlds unknown,
 See Thee on Thy judgement-
 throne:
 Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
 Let me hide myself in Thee. Amen.

Augustus Montague Toplady, 1740-78.

517 7.7.7. and refrain.
1 **S**IMPLY trusting every day,
 Trusting through a stormy way;
 Even when my faith is small,
 Trusting Jesus, that is all.

Trusting as the moments fly,
Trusting as the days go by,
Trusting Him whate'er befall,
Trusting Jesus, that is all.

2 Brightly doth His Spirit shine
 Into this poor heart of mine:
 While He leads I cannot fall,
 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 Pops Stiles, b. 1837.

615 8.7.8.7.4.7.
Arghyedd, arwain trwy'r antalech.
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, 1717-91;
tr. by Peter Williams, 1722-90.

