

Bradmore Methodist Church. From Rowland Swift, 1979. See 150 yr Celebrations

Date.	Source.	Subject.
5th Nov. 1830.	"Nottm Review"	Report of grant of land and chapel", opening services.
18th June 1869	"	Gift of freehold and notes on Sunday- school anniversary service.
1898	"Free Church Record"	Contemplated alterations to the chapel.
Dec. 1898	"Nottm Methodist" Details	of re-opening services after alterations to chapel
March 1892.	"	Financial details and new Circuit assessment of £2 per annum!
20th June 1902		Arkwright St. circuit Q.M. sanction to build new schoolroom.
Jan 1902	"Nottm Methodist"	details of proposed new schoolroom etc.

I also have a transcript of the 1851 Religious Census return for Bradmore giving details of the numbers attending the services on the census Sunday and other details.

I also have a copy of the historical notes in the Centenary pamphlet of 1930, but presume that you already have this.

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Religious Census, 1851 -Details extracted from the official return for Bradmore Wesleyan Methodist Chapel lodged in the Public Record Office, London.

"Estimated Number of Persons Attending Divine Service on Sunday, March 30. 1851.

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening.
General Congregation	48	-	167
Sunday Scholars	80	-	-
Total	128	-	167

"Average Number of attendants during 12 months :

General Congregation	50	-	170
Sunday Scholars	90	-	-

Signature: William Attenborough
 Official Character: Chapel Steward
 Address by post: Bradmore.

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"Nottingham Review" - 5th November 1830.

"In the village of Bradmore, where there has hitherto been neither church nor chapel, Lord Rancliffe has recently very liberally granted to the Wesleyan Methodists a plot of ground on a long lease, for a small annual acknowledgement, on which to build a place of worship. A very neat and commodious chapel has been erected, and on Tuesday last, being the annual village feast, it was opened (though not quite finished) by Mr. William Dawson from Barnbow, nr. Leeds, who delivered two impressive discourses, and £29 was collected towards the expenses of erection."

"Nottingham Review" - 18th June 1869.

"The Wesleyan Chapel at Bradmore has recently been placed in a sound legal position by the generosity of Mrs Fortneath [sic] of Bunny Hall, whom impressed with the religious influence exerted by the friends connected with it gave the freehold of the land on which the chapel is built.

Also reference is made to the Sunday-school Anniversary services at which the congregation was so large that "many were unable to gain admittance. Mrs. Fortneath sent £1 for the collection and the Vicar of Bunny 5 shillings.

"The Nottingham Methodist" - December 1898.

People who live in a village faraway from the busy centres of city life have very little to stir them to excitement. Bradmore has its village feast, but that would probably pass by unnoticed but for the chapel anniversary held on the feast Sunday. This year great interest centered round the first Sunday in November - not only because it was the feast and chapel anniversary, but chiefly on account of the chapel being reopened after alteration and cleaning. It has been felt for some time by the trustees that certain improvements were urgently needed to bring the chapel up to present day requirements.

After long and careful deliberation, they decided to put in a new heating apparatus, and also to make certain internal improvements. The work has been carried out under the direction of Mr. Joseph P. Dixon of Nottingham and has added very materially to the comfort and beauty of the sanctuary.

The reopening services were conducted by Rev. James Cuthbertson and continued on the following day by the Rev. Amos Burnet, who preached in the afternoon, and in the evening gave us a very excellent and instructive lecture entitled "Eleven years in the East". The chair was taken by Mr. H. Mee of Nottingham. The services were well attended and the collections very good. A meat tea given by Messrs Elliott and Attewell, builders of Nottingham, proved a great success.