

May 1704 <sup>200 of m</sup> Barwell that way given by  
 m<sup>r</sup> Fargson to the poor of our Church town pound  
 which was divided among our poor by Tho. Birkley & John  
 Foster Deacons as followeth

to Tho. Oddy — 10 — 0  
 Tho. Walsh — 00 — 0  
 Rich<sup>d</sup> Heath — 05 — 0  
 Tho. Ashwood — 10 — 0  
 Tho. Alder — 04 — 0  
 John Brown — 05 — 0  
 Ed. Fargin — 2 — 0  
 Willem Bondish — 10 — 0  
 Tho. Curman Baldock — 05 — 0  
 John Park — 5 — 0

Widow Sibly — 0 — 0  
 Wid. Whiggard — 10 — 0  
 Wid. Child Daughte — 10 — 0  
 Wid. Halford — 10 — 0  
 Wid. Welsh London — 0 — 0  
 Sarah Robinson and Daughte — 05 — 0

Wid. Sargent — 10 — 0  
 Wid. Knot — 10 — 0  
 Wid. Child — 10 — 0  
 Wid. Heath — 10 — 0  
 Wid. Maryat — 05 — 0  
 Wid. Ashwood — 00 — 0  
 Mary Hodson — 5 — 0  
 Bork Sutridge — 5 — 0

Tho. Crawly — 5 — 0  
 Rich<sup>d</sup> Daughte — 5 — 0  
 John Chalky — 5 — 0

04 — 04 — 0  
 0 — 2 — 0  
 04 — 6 — 0

5 — 14 — 00  
 4 — 6 — 0

Makes 10 = 00 = 00

Bro John: Wilson deceased x  
 Bro Edward Hunt deceased x  
 Bro Lalyh Bigg deceased x  
 Bro Joseph Hunt deceased x  
 Bro Thos: Field deceased x  
 Bro John Foster deceased x  
 Bro Thomas Little senior deceased x  
 Bro Thomas Brooley deceased x  
 Bro John Knott deceased x  
 Bro John Jackson deceased x  
 Bro Edward Carter deceased x  
 Bro William Welsh deceased x  
~~Bro~~ Bro Mitchell Foster deceased x  
 Bro Joseph Foster deceased x  
 Bro Thomas Dermot deceased x  
 Bro Hon: Sheppard deceased x  
 Bro Robert Sargent deceased x  
 Bro George Howard deceased x  
 Bro John Bonner deceased x  
 Bro William Fowler deceased x  
 Bro John Holkott deceased x  
 Bro Richard Sheppard } Chap & Bro  
 Bro George Wilkinson } Hand have  
 Bro Joseph Bayne } Dismission to  
 } the Church in  
 } Cambridge  
 Bro Hon: Sibbey deceased x  
 Bro James Smith Excommunicated x  
 Bro Robert Morritt deceased x  
 Bro Thomas Sargent deceased x  
 Bro William Chapman deceased x  
 Bro John ~~W~~ ~~W~~ deceased x

x Sis - Elisabeth Godfrey Alis Gayer deceased  
 x Sis - Abbe Penn deceased x  
 x Sis - Brown deceased x  
 x Sis Elisabeth Little - deceased x  
 x Sis Mary Hunt deceased x  
 x Sis Sarah Carter deceased x  
 x Sis Susan Field - deceased x  
 x Sis Eliza Smith - deceased x  
 x Sis Elisabeth Bookers x  
 x Sis Ann Welsh deceased x  
 x Sis Ann Sargent deceased x  
 x Sis Sara Knott deceased x  
 x Sis Elisabeth Woodmud - deceased x  
 x Sis Ann Sibbey - deceased x  
 x Sis Mary Wilson deceased x  
 x Sis Soloy deceased x  
 x Sis Hana Spence deceased x  
 x Sis Sara Hoath - deceased x  
 x Sis Heber: Spence - deceased x  
 x Sis Elisabeth Cutridge - deceased x  
 x Sis Ann Field - deceased x  
 x Sis Sara Brooley deceased x  
 x Sis Sara Brown x  
 x Sis Lodo Sanders deceased x  
 x Sis Ann Bonner deceased x  
 x Sist Ann Baker x  
 x Sist Chapman x  
 x Sist Fowler deceased x  
 x Sist Sara Spence - deceased x  
 x Sist Elisabeth Dermot - deceased x  
 x Sist Mary Holkott  
 x Sist Jackson } Sist Jackson Sist  
 x Sist John Dall } hold 2 hand have  
 x Sist Wye } to church in Cambridge  
 x Sist Katherine } by order of the  
 } Church with out consent  
 x Sist Mary Bolton deceased x  
 x Sist Mary Hodson deceased x  
 x Sist Mary Newton ~~deceased~~ suspended



+ Bro John Hapwoorth deceased  
 + Bro Edward Wobby deceased  
 + Bro Edward Foster deceased  
 + Bro Dan Chakely deceased  
 + Bro Tho Okley of Preston deceased  
 + Bro Francis Colledge deceased  
 + Bro Hen Huller <sup>gone of to m<sup>r</sup> waywoorth without consent of the church</sup>  
 + Bro Ed Witzring  
 + Bro Wm Hopkins deceased  
 + Bro Edward Hurst deceased  
 + Bro Richard Bradly deceased  
 + Bro William Chapman deceased  
 + Bro: William Brown <sup>admitted after excommunication</sup>  
 + Bro: Geo: Fitz John <sup>admitted after excommunication</sup>  
 + Bro: Hen: sheppard Junior <sup>admitted after excommunication</sup>  
 + Bro: James Wybourn <sup>admitted after excommunication</sup>  
 + Bro: Thomas Tickle Junior <sup>b: decem 1693</sup>  
 + Bro: John Warner Junior <sup>capt out</sup>  
 + Bro: Richard Jackson <sup>capt out</sup>  
 + Bro: Ralph Bigge Junior <sup>capt out</sup>  
 + Bro: Thomas Welch deceased  
 + Bro: Tyler deceased  
 + Bro: Leonard Grey deceased  
 + Bro: John Bigg. deceased  
 + Bro: Robt Cook  
 + Bro: Matthew Cross <sup>deceased</sup>  
 + Bro: Wilcox <sup>deceased</sup>  
 + Bro: John Wilson <sup>deceased</sup>  
 + Bro: Tho Crayly Junior <sup>deceased</sup>  
 + Bro: John Dent. deceased  
 + Bro: John Tomalin <sup>deceased</sup>  
 + Bro: John Paker <sup>deceased</sup>

x Sis Sara Young deceased  
 x Sis Sarah Smith Senior Preston  
 x Sis Mary Leonard deceased  
 x Sis Sheppard <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Sara ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Sara Shipper <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Sara Shurley <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Childes <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Mary Yonge <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Ruth Yonge <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Potter <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Sarah Daye <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Collyer <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Sarah Carter <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Robert Houker <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Anne Hurst <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Elizabeth Sutton <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Edward <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Bryant <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sis Conkoyt <sup>deceased</sup>  
 Sister Sarah Shattkolt  
 x Sister Mary Heskett <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Robena Heskett <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Mary Hurst <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Dorothy Webb <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Mary Bigg <sup>deceased</sup>  
 Sister Elizabeth Wilson <sup>b: born: 93</sup>  
 x Sister Jane Hurst <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Dorothy Paker <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Ann Bigg <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Mary Child. <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Sarah Smith <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Tyler <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Eliz: Paker <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Martha Boucher <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Cooper <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Anne Heath <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister Esther <sup>deceased</sup>

x Bro: John Munns. <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Bro: Henry Camp <sup>admonished deceased</sup>  
 x Bro: Thomas Buckingham. <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Bro: George Clerk <sup>dead</sup>  
 x Bro: Henry young. <sup>dead</sup>  
 x Bro: James Gregory <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Bro: Thomas Cook. <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Bro: Thomas Young, at the Pond. <sup>deceased</sup>  
~~Bro: James Gregory.~~  
 x Bro: John Brown <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Bro: Edward Turpin. <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Bro: William Lavender <sup>deceased</sup>  
 Bro: John Chalkley  
 Bro: Joseph Leland <sup>deceased</sup>  
 Bro: Thomas Leland <sup>dead</sup>  
 x Bro: Thomas Ashby <sup>deceased</sup>  
 Bro: George Hill <sup>dismissed to Mr. Brown's Church</sup>  
 x Bro: Windsor Palms <sup>dead</sup>  
 x John Silsby of Ally <sup>gone without consent to Mr. Brown's Church</sup>  
 x John Edwards <sup>deceased</sup>  
 George Bowler  
 x Asborne. <sup>pastor deceased</sup>  
 x Jackson of Hartford <sup>deceased</sup>

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Sister Ann Bonner.  
 x Sister ~~Row~~ Gladman <sup>now. Parton</sup>  
 x Sister <sup>deceased</sup> Hurst: <sup>dead</sup>  
 x Sister Mary Smith.  
 x Sister <sup>Biggs. Woods</sup>  
 x Sister <sup>Gethie</sup>  
 Sister Sarah Chalkley.  
 Sister Sara Heath. <sup>Junior</sup>  
 Sister Sarah Wilson. <sup>dead</sup>  
 Sister Elizabeth Gregory <sup>dead</sup>  
 x Sister Sarah Cooper. <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister King. <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister <sup>Redhead</sup> <sup>dead</sup>  
 x Sister <sup>young son's. Bend</sup>  
 x Sister Libilla <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sister. young at the Pond <sup>deceased</sup>  
 Sister. <sup>Dary of Hampton</sup>  
 x Sister Wobby <sup>dead</sup>  
 x Sister Gregory <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Mary Leland <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Field of Eggert <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Robert Wilson <sup>dismissed to Mr. Brown's Church</sup>  
 x Mr. Heath  
 x Mr. Chalkley } <sup>all of Lily</sup>  
 x Mary Kilpm } <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Mrs. Gunning of <sup>deceased</sup>  
 Mrs. Hester L. Wymond  
 x Hannah Law <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Sarah Bigg <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x Elizabeth <sup>man</sup> <sup>deceased</sup>  
 x John Needham <sup>deceased</sup>



other Transient Communicants belonging to Churches.

Mrs King of Bedford church

Mrs Newman of ~~Bedford church~~ of Mr. Skingle's church

~~Mrs Bull of Bedford church~~

Mrs Crawley of Louton church

Mrs Tible of Louton church.

Mrs. Wren's wife of Mr. Brine's church formerly Barron  
by Grifflegate

Mrsy Shepherd of late Mr. Richardson's church <sup>Went</sup>

Mrs Clarkson of Dr. Watts's Church.

Mrs Hinton of Mr. Hall's Church.

A Catalogue of the Members receiv'd into full Communion since Mr. Needham's setting with Mr. Wilson as Copastor

Reed in Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> 1710. } Mr. Nicholas King having had Liberty from Church at Lubon to take up his Communion with us

\* Mary Deere dead  
Elizabeth Bigg. dismiss to Bedford Church April. 18. 1725.  
Abie Marshall. Marry'd Don Hurst of Dorchester  
Rebecca Goolledge. Marry'd m<sup>r</sup> Wilson of H. D. low.

Reed 7<sup>th</sup> 17 - Elizabeth Deere.  
Jane Young wife of Henry Young of Bendish.  
Feb. 3. 17<sup>th</sup> 12. \* Mary Needham. Dead

March. 25. 1712. X Sarah Gregory. cut of for her Immoralities  
July. 30. 1713. Henry Rich of Radwell  
\* And his Wife receiv'd at a Church Meeting. Dead.

Nov. 22. 1713. Joseph Isom receiv'd on y<sup>e</sup> Sacram. Day.  
Dec. 1713. \* Widow Ashurst receiv'd at a Church meeting Dead

Feb. 10. 17<sup>th</sup> 14. Hannah Carter receiv'd at a Church meeting Marry'd m<sup>r</sup> [unclear] of [unclear]  
Jeremiah Gazely at a Church Meeting

Jan. 12. 17<sup>th</sup> 16. John Pancrust  
\* Wm Wiles at a Church meeting. Dead

\* Wm Field of Preston Dead  
\* Susanna Goolledge of Preston (now Dead)  
\* Sarah Cook of Hitchin at a Church Meeting. Dead

Feb. 9. \* Mr. Goolledge of Preston Dead  
April 5<sup>th</sup> 1716. \* John Godfrey alias Cooper Dead

Dead \* Joseph Pilgrim  
\* Mary Welly Dead

Sarah Jonpey 1716  
\* Mrs. Somlin Dead  
Kath: Dunkley 1716.

John Lymbus. 1716  
\* Sarah Farmer. Dead

John Sanders. at a Church meeting Nov. 13. 1715.  
\* John Primmitt at a Church Meeting Oct. 15. 1714.

\* Caleb Pitt admonisht & with drawn from for his Uncharitableness  
Sarah Gore Hatford.  
\* Susanna Wibrand Dead  
\* Mrs. Kimpton Dead  
\* Mrs. Martin excommunicated  
\* Hannah Deere. Dead



x Mr. John Knowlton dead  
 Mr. Tho: Beacham  
 Tho: Crawley excommunicated  
 x Francis Robinson. dead  
 Mary Ashwood now Welch  
 Mrs. Shepherd receiv'd by a dismission from the Church at  
 x Joseph Ashwood. dead Nottingham

Ann Forster married m<sup>r</sup> Hubbard of Blunnum

John Forster

x Sarah Papworth dead

Jon: Kilpin  
 x Valentine

Aaron Heath

Jane Townsley — Henry Merrit 1727  
 Mary Jordan — 1727

x Henry Brew dead  
 John Lawrence & his wife 1729  
 Widow Burridge 1729.  
 No. William Jun<sup>r</sup>. Pack In<sup>d</sup> his wife 1728.  
 Tho: Laurence his brother 1729. Ann Chalkey now Arnold. 1728.  
 March 26.

1729 { John Wren  
 x Barker dead by the falling in of a chalk pit.  
 Billington & his wife

June. 4. 1730. Record at a church meeting. Mary Star married w<sup>m</sup>: Law Chalton  
 Feb. 25. 1730 Record at a church meeting Tho: Robinson  
 May. 20. 1731 Record at a church meeting — Robinson wife of Tho. Robinson.  
 June 17. 1731. Record at a church meeting Tho: Vail<sup>1341</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>: Giles  
 July 15 1731 Record at a church meeting Lydia Bere  
 18 1731 Record before y<sup>e</sup> Sacrament. Eliz. Parcott married w<sup>m</sup>: Gyles.

Received at a church meeting Aug. 12. 1731. Mr. Deacon of Gosmer <sup>Dead</sup>  
John Merritt. Preston June 17. 1731.

Susanna Star at a church meeting now Married Dan. Cartwright.

Peddock of Preston Feb. 17. 1731.

May Browne now Cotton.

Ann Chalkley ~~now dead~~ now wid. Gankard. Nov. 25. 1731

\* Widow Sam also Draper at a church meeting April. 13. 1732. <sup>Dead</sup>

William Law at a church meeting  
Thomas Ashwood at same time } May 11. 1732.

Daniel Carter received before Sacram. Lord's day May 14. 1732

At the same time Mrs. Truell & Mrs. Britton <sup>Dead</sup> being dismissed from  
Mr. Pitt's church were received into full communion

with us. At the same time Mrs. Howard of Gosmer formerly named  
Chapman after a long neglect of her duty was restored to her  
place in church. The Lord having been pleased greatly to  
revive her soul.

Mrs. Thomas

John Bonn.

Mrs. Thomas

Mr. Oughtredge Excommunicated

- Feb. 1732-3 } John Kilpin } received at a church meeting.  
                  } Thomas Robotham }  
                  } Edward Solfoe }

\* Henry Herbert at a church meeting March. 29. 1733. <sup>Dead</sup>

Ann Gregory <sup>Dead</sup> of Bendish at a church meeting } April 26. 1733.

Mary Watton at same time now Ashwood

Thomas Barker

Mrs. Joiner

Mary Ward }

at a church meeting May 25. 1733

\* Mrs. Burdell of Bendish at a church meeting <sup>Dead</sup> 1733

John Phillips of Offley & his wife at a church meeting Oct. 26. 1733.

\* Widow Clark of Hitchin at a church meeting Dec. 6. 1733. <sup>Dead</sup>

John Walker



9 Widow Vandoy of Hithul at a church meeting <sup>now</sup> Jan 3 1733 <sup>at</sup> ~~1733~~ <sup>same time</sup>  
Anne Field of William <sup>at</sup> ~~1733~~ <sup>same time</sup>  
her sister of Weston Eliz Chalkley

Nathaniel Field of William Feb. 28. ~~1733~~ 1733 <sup>7</sup>  
George King April. 25. 1734.

John Duntun of Shittington }  
Geo. Rod of Langley } May 23. 1734.  
Judith Hill of Pirston }

Mr. Merrit of Cokerose & June 20. 1734  
Michael Traveller of offley }

Jno. Bennett of Brachwood green Taylor & July 18. 1734  
Daniel Ashwood fent. at little Almsloe }

Daniel Adcock & John White <sup>d. 9d.</sup> at a church meeting Feb. 13. 1734 <sup>5</sup>

Thomas Ward of Colford May 9. 1736

Edw. Tukes 7 Dec. 1735.  
Mary Ball marie R Gurny 1737  
Jno Palmer & Wife. May 4. 1738.  
W<sup>m</sup> Maynard Apr. 17. 1740.

Daniel Mandel. Apr. 14. 1735.

Ebenezer Hollick Apr. 31. 1739.

Mary Needham Sept. 20. 1739.

Sarah Chalkley capt out.

Jno Hill of Pirston Oct. 5. 1740

Jno Stephens Aug. 24. 1738

Tho Gurney June 3. 1739.

Eliz Mandel Dec. 11. 1740

Tho Linnet Nov. 13. 1740. Red-Cross End.

Sam. Wheeler June 15. 1740 Hill End.

M<sup>rs</sup> Esther Jones of 1<sup>st</sup> Albany Aug. 20. 1742.

M<sup>rs</sup> Sam. James June 26. 1743

W<sup>m</sup> Wright July 24. 1743

The Copy of the Letter Sent from the Elders of severall  
Churches in and about London to Inuigill the Church of Christ  
in or about Retew in Waites and in Bear as followeth

Wheate you beloued in the Lord great and yeare bee unto you from god our Father, & our Lord  
Jesus Christ. wee giue thanks unto god for you all, vnderstanding that the word of the  
kingdom is com unto you not in word onely but in power & in the Holy Ghost, & that you are  
become followers of the Lord in this day of affliction, & of the patience of Jesus Christ and we trust  
your faith shall growe, & the loue of euery one of you towards each other shall abound yet more and  
more. As for the yersons (my Beare & my Waites) whom you write about, we are writing vpon your  
desires, to let you know that vpon hearing of what the brethren (sent by to us from that Church) had  
my the least is to haue had to produce from the Letters they kept their proceedings to cast out my Beare  
first, & my Waites afterwards: wee did unanimously iudge, that the Church (for ought apper to us) had  
not sufficient ground for their proceeding against them, as they did; And our iudice therefore was, that  
they would againe receiue them into their fellowship: nor do wee therefore know any fault of the Gospel  
that will bee infringed by your continuing to honour my Waites for his workes sake, or by your encourag-  
ing of him in his labour in the Lord. Wee are ioyed in that blessed success that the Lord hath giuen his ministry  
withall amongst you (some of you being it seemes, the goals thereof) & wee heartily therefore pray, that  
you may yet bee more & more of use unto you, for your building up: wee are sorry to heare that  
any brother or brethren of that Church in Cambridge shire before spoken of, should bee about to  
waken his hands, or to work a prejudice to his ministry by sitting an euill & wrong and out of account  
of our iudgment in my Beares, & in his case that Letter of ours they haue in their hands does  
plainly shew what our sentiments were, & what wee iudged (and wee humbly believe we haue  
the minds of Christ in that that wee did iudge) was regular & meete for them to do for the payeing  
of Honour of Christ, & for the obeying of a blessing to themselves as also for the healing of the  
scandal that hath bene vpon the way of the Gospel by the precipitant vnder casting out of persons  
out of the visible Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ: & wee are not without our hopes but that  
the God of the Spiritts of all flesh will helpe them to looke vpon the Councell wee haue giuen  
them, as vpon an ordinance of Christ, which they ought to haue & obserued for.

As touching those few of your own number that dissent & separate themselves from your  
body, our present iudice is that you would bee much in prayer for them, haue it in all loue,  
with tendernes towards them, & patiently waite, if peraduenture god will giue them consent  
to the acknowledging of the truth: wee account that they are ouertaken with fault, in  
your continued persuation of theirs, but wee also desire you would (if wee hope you will)  
shew your selues to be spiritual, as to seeke the restoring of them by no other way then by  
the spirit of meeknes, considering your selues least you also bee tempted, & remembering that  
you must beare the burdons one of another that so you may fulfill the Law of Christ.  
Finally Brethren bee perfect, bee of good comfort, bee of one mind, iust in yeare, & the god of hea-  
ven bee with you all according to the prayer of your Brethren & Companions in  
tribulation, & in the Kingdom & patience of our Lord Jesus Christ.

London the 18 of  
Third month 1669

Signed in the name, & by the  
Appointment of severall Elders  
of Churches in Helbow  
London

John Owen  
George Griffith

1669



The Coney of a Letter sent from the Church of  
Christ in and about Bedford, to the Church of Christ in and about  
Hitchin as follows

The Church of Christ in and about  
Bedford to the Church of Christ in  
and about Hitchin, sends greeting

Holy and beloved, we the fellow heirs with you, of the  
grace of life having taken your earnest desires concerning  
our joining us to you our beloved brother John Wilson,  
into serious consideration with much prayer to god for direction  
in so weightie a matter, have at last (god having bowed  
the heart of the Church to consent to what you have both  
longed, and as we trust much prayed for) granted, and by  
these lines do grant, and give by our beloved brother  
to fellowship with you for your mutuall edification  
and joy of faith

We need not, as some others to commend him to you, god  
having before presented that by commending him to you,  
himself. Now god and our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ,  
that great shepherd of the sheep make this, both our  
and your beloved brother a double blessing to you, both in  
his ministry and membership with you, and also as a  
watchman over you if god and the Church with you  
shall call him ther to. Amen.

Written for you by the consent of the Church and  
subscribed in their names by your Brethren:

John Brunyon  
Sam Henn  
John Henn  
Luck Allwood  
Blindor Scott  
John Crocker  
Tho: Honeylow

Tho Woodward  
John Bardolph  
Thomas Cooper  
Willm Man  
Robert Holtlock  
Anthony Harrington  
Edward Shephard

the 1 month

1677

The Coppy of the letters of Dismission sent to our  
deffending brethern and sisters as followeth

The Church of Christ in and about  
Hitchin unto the Church of Christ in and  
about Cambridge sendeth greetings

Beloved in the Lord. The Church of Christ heard though  
tortious to his selfe, that she walketh after the faith and  
charitie Comanded in the gospell: yet doe graunt and contlicke  
for loue sake that our Brother George Wilkin son: who  
desiring to bee dismisst unto you, upon some stryppes of  
tortious, with Referent unto some things amongst vs,  
(which yet wee account good and godly) we therefore  
doe Dismiss him unto you, for his better edification, desiring  
he may be a blessing unto you and you to him.

Written by the order of the congregation and subscribed  
all these appointment by the brethern whose names are  
heard under written.

The like Coppy of Dismission sent to Bro Litch: Shepphan  
and to Bro: Joseph Cooper to sist Jackson and sist  
Hindall

- John Wilkin
- Ralph Biggs
- John Foster
- John Knott
- Thomas Croley
- Joseph Huest
- Henry Sibley
- John Jackson
- William Hely
- Edward Hunt
- Thomas Cith

- The Dermond
- ~~Robert Sargant~~
- Robert Sargant
  - Joseph Foster
  - William Fowler
  - Henry Shephard
  - Mithel Foster
  - John Bonner

Dated the  
1 day of 9  
month 1647



The 4 month 1677 The first Day of 7 month  
 The Church being then assembled together  
 at Bro: John Hoppers: Did then give Brother  
 Ralph Bigg a solemn Call to the office of a  
 Deacon. which he did freely accept of before  
 The Congregation to do his duty as the Lord should  
 help him.

The same Day Brother John Willson gave  
 in his answer unto the Call that the Church  
 before had given him to the office of a Pastor  
 to serve the Church in that Relation as god  
 should help him. which he accepted before  
 the Congregation:

The 28 Day of the 4 month the Congregation sett that  
 Day dyarts in prayer to god, and Brother willson was favored  
 sett dyarts to the office of a Pastor over the Congregation  
 shew being present

- Bro Antony Pamory
- Bro John James of London
- Bro Sam: Benn = of Bedford
- Bro Thomas Kelly = of London

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A Copy of a Letter sent to M<sup>r</sup>. Holcraft &  
the Brethren assembled together May 24: 78

Hono<sup>r</sup> Brethren,

Ever be it<sup>h</sup> you. We have (as some of you know  
signified our desire of reconciliation <sup>with you & the Brethren</sup> & do by these  
lines signify to you the same thing again. for it is  
not according to <sup>our</sup> principles <sup>with</sup> and principles of peace  
to do anything that should have a tendency to maintain  
differences among brethren. wherefore if you be  
willing to give us a meeting that if possible we may  
come together in order to peace we whose hands  
are hereunder subscribed do signify that we shall  
heartily embrace it, & to that end do propound to  
meet you now either at Henry Warrons, John Symp-  
sons or St<sup>r</sup> Hutchinsons Cray signify <sup>your</sup> minds  
in this matter by the bearer hereof farewell

yo<sup>r</sup> Brethren

John Gilson  
Ralph Bigg  
~~John Gilson~~  
John Hesketh  
William Fowler  
George Dore  
Henry Sheppard  
John Knott



Brother Thomas Field laid under Admonition and withdrawn from by the Church for revealing into his flock another man's good or harm and unjustly retaining it as his own without any note or publication thereof according to Custom in such cases and by knowingly making some promise to the Shopper to George Smith: Contrary unto the words of god Deuter 20:17 Deuter 22:3: Leviticus 23:4: and after ye opening of his will and circumstances of it ~~the~~ god way called and being charged with it did acknowledge it from before the Church with a confession to the glory of his wickedness and imbrued the name & honour of god in the Church did give him a solemn Admonition and ~~withdrew~~ withdrew him from the Church for ever ~~from~~ ~~him~~ till god should give him repentance and his being

October 22 / 1680

The Church being met to get the next day did after Brother Thomas Field had to satisfaction given an account of his repentance for his former way was withdrawn from and owning god's mercy and the Church's faithfulness in the way been rebuked and ~~the~~ all his professing with him way is taken into full communion again with <sup>some</sup> exhortation given to him and Jurisdiction to the Church for the future to be always ready to receive such as are brought in for the purging of sinners

The same day & place the Brethren being to gether did Agree that Brother John Thoroughgood a member of the Church in about Norton should be desired by one or more of the Brethren to read amongst us some times when we brake Bread on the Lord's Day and when we shall sit up againe or separate in meeting on a week day or on a week or on a fortnight and without any single cause of the Congregation to whom he belongs by being proposed of their lively answer which to many would not be grateful and therefore being satisfied of his grave godlyness & fidelity of his Brethren do agreed orationally to make use of him: There being but one of the Brethren there present that made any objections against it is all objections was judged not sufficient to alter their mind or obstruct their present Agreement for is only a present orationally promising amongst us not in forbidding of any certain time or time

Afterwards ye Brethren at another Church Meeting at Hitching ~~considering~~ <sup>considering</sup> what ~~was~~ <sup>was</sup> desired as to the Answer of Norton Congregation ~~that~~ <sup>it</sup> might be put in might certainties of it ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> we did open further examination into the matter ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> our sending to Norton Congregation to desired of it that we might Injoy Bro Thoroughgood ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> when they could spare him would not admitt of such a ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> Consultation upon which two Brethren by Agreement was sent to you





May 1604

The Church being met to gather at Preston Bro Thomas Sargent was laid under admonition and withdrew from by J Church. For of some of Drunkenly gaming & Coniary keeping with profane persons was for some months ~~before~~ <sup>before</sup> had bin several times privately admonished for the same duty but continuing of said man. ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> repeating the same wicked act by way admonished and withdrew from by J Church and the admonition ~~was~~ <sup>delivered</sup> to him by Bro Ralph Bigg Bro John Foster Bro John Hobbs & messengers from J Church

August 20<sup>th</sup> 1604

The Church being met to gather at Preston did Agree and Conclude to withdraw their Communion from Sist Mr Storey formally Mr Baker for six scandalous life having bin several times privately admonished but being still found guilty of lying frequently and of great bawling and contention with his husband and also guilty of reprothing and contemning of the Church and under all greatly stubborn and impenitent: the Church for his and others sakes did then withdraw their Communion from him

May 1607

A proposal made by those of Ditching who formally was members belonging to the Church in Cambridge shire now being dissolved of their membership by J said Church unto J Church in and about Warford belonging to Mr Hayworth

Their proposal to us was that in Hayworth with them might have use of our Barn there to meet one Lord's day in a fortnight twice weekly or more and that they said was proposed by them for love & peace sake also being sensible that to set up another meeting by themselves would look ill and be a hindrance of giving oration for respect and sake to the service of God

The Church Answer to J proposals June 1607

We do for love & peace sake Grant that in Hayworth with you may have in our Barn at Ditching <sup>only</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>one</sup> Lord's day in a month ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>to</sup> ~~be~~ <sup>be</sup> ~~no~~ <sup>no</sup> ~~disappointment~~ <sup>disappointment</sup> ~~then~~ <sup>then</sup> ~~but~~ <sup>but</sup> ~~your~~ <sup>your</sup> ~~mind~~ <sup>mind</sup> ~~hoping~~ <sup>hoping</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~concluding~~ <sup>concluding</sup> ~~that~~ <sup>that</sup> ~~we~~ <sup>we</sup> ~~shall~~ <sup>shall</sup> ~~find~~ <sup>find</sup> ~~any~~ <sup>any</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>to</sup> ~~alter~~ <sup>alter</sup> ~~our~~ <sup>our</sup> ~~mind~~ <sup>mind</sup> ~~we~~ <sup>we</sup> ~~will~~ <sup>will</sup> ~~at~~ <sup>at</sup> ~~your~~ <sup>your</sup> ~~know~~ <sup>know</sup> ~~it~~ <sup>it</sup>

As for next days in Hayworth may be as freely as he use to do and when J Church

October 1607

At Church Meeting at Ditching Bro James Smith was admonished by the Church and withdrawn from for six scandalous times drinking inordinately in all wine & grating drunkard like

About Appril 1698  
Bro Edward Hitting and after ward Bro Ben Fuller Idied  
of the Church a Dismision unto that part of y<sup>e</sup> Church walking with  
m<sup>r</sup> Lawayard to the Reasons for such a d<sup>e</sup> being provided the  
Church refused to give a Dismision Judging th<sup>e</sup> Reasons not a  
sufficient ground for them to grant it

After ward Boty th<sup>e</sup> way returned by m<sup>r</sup> Lawayard and  
part of y<sup>e</sup> people or Syners to whom it belonged was at  
Hitting without y<sup>e</sup> Consent of the Church with some  
they walked

June 1699 The Copy of a Letter  
sent by the Church to m<sup>r</sup> James about a man to offis  
our present Elder  
Honored Sir  
And Faithfull Servant of God and of our Lord Jesus Christ

May 1<sup>st</sup> 91:

John Hoshott & Ralph Bigg were set a part by the consent & approbation of all the  
members present. to y<sup>e</sup> office of Ruling Elders John Hoston & Tho. Tickle to y<sup>e</sup> office  
of Deacons in the presence of M<sup>r</sup> John James & M<sup>r</sup> Ben: Chandler

abt y<sup>e</sup> year  
1691

Bro Grand Gregory & m<sup>r</sup> Edward Hurst was set  
apart by the Church unto the office of Ruling Elder

September 1704

October 13<sup>th</sup> 1700 Bro Shppard at a Church meeting after kind sent  
on praye was sent forth to preach by the Church  
The Copy of his oration is as followeth  
from the Church of Christ in and about Hitham

Bro ~~may~~ Satisfis whom it may concern  
That the Brethren heard of our Bro then Shppard who for severall y<sup>e</sup> day  
together hath had his Consideration & walking amongst us that it hath bin  
very sober & godly & such as hath bin about from us for his Education  
in learning we never heard in this part any thing of blame or  
walking: & from the Consideration of the Gifts & graces of the holy Ghost  
bestowd upon him & his diligent study of divine things whereby he hath  
obtained to some considerable understanding in the work of the ministry  
we do judge him meet to be employed in the work of the ministry  
publicly, & with our praye to God for him & for a blessing on his  
labour we have sent him forth to God the Father in the name of Christ  
the ministrations of the glorious Gospel where the Providence of God shall  
call him In testimony whereof we have with the consent of the Church  
Advanted subscribed our names this 13<sup>th</sup> of October 1700

- |               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| John Wilson   | Ben: Dear     |
| John Hasket   | Ralph Bigg    |
| James Gregory | Joseph Hoston |
| E. Hurst      | John Bigg     |
| John Hoston   | James Wycorn  |
| Tho. Tickle   |               |



19  
A Copy of a letter sent to Mr. Ebenezer Wilson to invite him to assist  
his father Mr. John Wilson in the work of the ministry

Witcham Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 1702

<sup>9<sup>th</sup></sup> The Church of Christ in about Witcham to whom your worshipful father is pastor  
having considered his ~~work~~ <sup>inability</sup> by reason of age & bodily infirmity  
to undergo that constant <sup>work</sup> ~~work~~ <sup>of</sup> his relation requires <sup>it</sup> ~~it~~ <sup>is</sup> his earnest  
desire expressed to us of some assistance in his ministerial work they  
have thought meet to intrust at your assistance & therefore we in the name  
of our brethren do give you an invitation thereunto & if the Providence  
of God shall so dispose it we earnestly desire you may come to us with  
a blessing & endowed with abundant gifts of the Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ

Your Brethren in Christ

John Hoshell

Edw. Hurd

John Hoshell

John Papworth

Thomas Ash

Tho. Young

Ralph Bigg

Tho. Pickett Junior

Tho. Crowley

June 1702 A letter of Invitation sent  
to Mr Ebenezer Wilson of Bristol from the Church  
signed by majority six of the Brethren

July following recd an answer from him that he could  
not answer our desires concluding to fix with the people  
where he was

August 1703

An Admonition sent by the Church to  
John Warner of Oving to rebuke him for  
his vain Condemnation & neglect of the  
Worship of God

Sept 1704 John Warner was cast out for his  
continuing in vain <sup>conversations</sup> conversation & his  
contempt on the Church Admonitions

Septemb 10th 1704

The Church gave in Wills a Call to be my Assistant which way signified to him in the Cells Room in the presence of several Brethren that they would say to him what maintenance they could which if he liked of they & he should still mutually like and another then to continue as their assistant of which he soon assented.

June 17th 1705

His Camp was then admonished by the Church for long neglect of Church Assembly frequent Companying with unaid Carnal persons in Alehouse & Drinking with them unto God's dishonour had long before private admonition but proved fruitless

Sept 2d 1705

The Copy of a Letter of Invitation subscribed & sent to Mr John Newham as followeth

Friend Sir

Our pastor being thro Age & weakness of Body much disabled to serve us in the work of preaching & necessity requiring that he should have a constant Assistant in that work from the good Character we have had of you the unknown mistake this boldness to give you an Invitation to come to us for this end that in case you may have satisfaction in us & love in you you may sit amongst us as an Assistant to our pastor in the work of preaching & we Intreat you to accept of our Invitation who shall be ready to do what we can according to our small Ability to make ye life comfortable. Thus desiring you may come to us in the fullness of the Blessing of the Gospel of Christ Also desiring that you will please to bid as speedily as you can by coming so early we expect but no longer than on Saturday & thus wishing you a safe & prosperous Journey we with the consent of the rest subscribe our selves ye Brethren in Christ

signed By

- John Wilson
- Jamdy Gregory
- Edward Hurst
- Jos Foster
- John Hild
- Ed Wobey
- John Bigg
- George Hill
- John Papworth
- John Lawrence



The Copy of a Letter Testimoniall of  
Mr John Noddham

To the Church of Christ in Hitchin to which the Rev  
Mr John Wilson is Pastor Guard Merry  
A dearly beloved in the Lord  
Seeing God by his Providence hath called this our Bro Mr John  
Noddham to be Redyful to you in the said work & to enjoy  
the Benefit of Christian Communion with you by virtue of  
Communion of Churchly these are to certify that this our Brother  
gave good Satisfaction to us of the grace of Christ in him upon  
his Admission into Church following amongst us & our friends  
walked becoming the Gospele In Sobriety modesty  
gravity Diligence & Sincerity of Conscience with soundness  
in the faith & orderliness of behaviour wherefore  
affectionately recommend him to your tender notice & report  
as bearing the Gospele & you to the grace of Christ as your  
Brethren in the Lord

Subscribed by the ~~Church~~ Consent & In the  
name of the Church of Christ at  
Hitchin By  
Timothy Fuller Pastor

The Copy of a Letter of Dismission sent to Bro Shepard  
In order to his being Joined unto & taking the pastorall office  
upon upon him to a Church of Christ at Bridgewater

Beloved in the Lord it being the earnest desire of our Beloved and  
Honourable Bre Mr Hen Shepard to be dismissed of his membership  
with us & take up membership with you in order to his taking the  
pastorall office upon him of the grace you in that post of considering  
the Providence of God hath placed him amongst you and already  
made him so useful to you: Altho we are every way to part with  
such an honourable member of Bro whose walk & Conversation hath  
bin all along an Ornament to the Gospele yet for your & his  
good & for the promoting of Christ Interest amongst you we doe  
heartly dismiss <sup>him</sup> unto you for that we desiring that his labours  
may be more & more blessed unto you both for ye growth In  
grace & number & that you may be a blessing unto him.

Ye Brethren In Christ

- John Wilson
- James Gregory
- Edward Hare
- Joseph Foster
- Joseph Laurant
- George Hill
- John Pakey
- John Silsley
- Tho. Ford
- Tho. Laurant
- Tho. Crawley
- John Bigg

our Sister Bryan deposed to the church walking with  
me Elizabeth Wilson in London

about  
Sept 1706

The Copy of a Letter of Gratitudes sent to me the  
Hully of London by the Brethren

Worthy Sir since you was pleased to send me word from  
we now have had about a twelvemonth by all of his gift of reward  
will satisfy in him & with him & for the first year we did  
to return our hearty thanks to god for his so well & miraculously  
providing for us & then by this your worthy Sir we do give our  
due & hearty thanks unto you who under god hath been our  
Instrument to procure him for us as another great Instrument of  
Evidence of your Great & constant Love to us & Care of us an  
unworthy people for all which we doubt not but that god will  
reward you & as we have found thro the blessing of god for  
labour very successful & profitable to us so we pray that he  
may be a further & lasting blessing to us & an Instrument in  
gods hand for the good of many more of his Elect in our  
Synodally & we are now much at ease as to our uncertainties  
Singly he being pleased amongst us by the good hand of god  
a friend & we pray that we may not be in away so great a misery  
we have namely as have subscribed due with the rest of  
our Brethren in that your acceptance of this our acknowledg-  
ment with our hearty respect & service to you & to all  
yours

of Brethren in Christ

- William Lawton
- Edward Foster
- Mike Foster
- John Field
- George Hill
- John Clarkly
- John Lawton
- Joseph Latham
- John Dear
- John Banner
- Ralph Bigg
- John Crouch

- John Wilson
- James Seigway
- Ed Huey
- John Foster
- John Papworth
- John Little Service
- John Little Junice
- James Wy Borne
- Josiah Foster
- John Bigg
- John Parky
- John Gamble

Jan 26th 1706 Bro John parky had a Letter of Dismission  
signed by the Church unto the Church belonging to me & my  
& me Keys in London



NOV 23<sup>rd</sup> 1747

Sister Sarah Field had a letter of Recommendation to sit down  
down with the Church of Christ walking with Mr Bragg & Mr Cotton  
during her stay in the City

MAY 9<sup>th</sup> 1749

Sister Willy had a letter of Dismission to the Church in Bed  
about 1725 in the County of Bedford over whom  
Mr John Green & Mr John Willy are Joint Pastors

Mr Sarah Field had a letter of Dismission to Mr Bragg's  
Church

April 18 1725 Elizabeth Stockdale had a letter of dismission  
from Mr Chandler's Church in Bedford

Be it Remembered That those 4 Articles that are  
mentioned in the other Page for the Satisfaction of  
those Members who differ from others in point of  
Baptism were read over & agreed to when Mr James  
accepted the call of the Church.

✱  
" Of me John Wilson  
W of the town of Wilson

January 29<sup>th</sup> 1709

Running the month day before made 2 proposals to the Church to consider of one of them being to give me Neddham a call to joint Pastorship the other a proposal of some thing for the ease & satisfaction of them members that differ from the rest in point of Baptism Both these was again proposed the day & year above named unto the Church for their answers. which was as followeth

- 1 It was proposed for the ease & satisfaction of them that differ from us in point of Baptism that in case they will us give upon me Neddham to be joint pastor and we shall accept thereof that you may & shall upon all occasions fully & perfectly practice your judgment & Conscience without any opposition or objection.
- 2 It was proposed that upon all occasions if me Neddham should amongst us that he should be willingly may & will make a charge with any pastor of another Church whom they shall think that shall come possibly to baptize their children so that their Conscience may be as fully satisfied in the practice of their judgment as if they had a pastor of their own mind brought what their pastor both the word is but a Circumstance & not essential to the thing it self.
- 3 It was proposed that the charge of me Neddham should be going to make a charge should be ~~by~~ borne by the Church.
- 4 most order it was proposed that in case it should ever god so to bless this Church as to make them so numerous that there should be occasion for a minister or pastor that me Neddham will be every willing & desirous that they may have one of their own judgment they proposedly the Church gave their good consent unto

After this it was proposed to the Church whether they was willing to give me Neddham a call to joint Pastorship: unto which the Church did fully & unanimously & unanimously agreed upon which a call being already drawn up was read & signed by about 30 Brethren & the same night was delivered to me Neddham by the hand of Brother Hurst with divers Brethren present

In account of which call is as followeth

We the Church of Christ at Hitching being under the Pastorship of me John Wilson do find it necessary to call another In conjunction and that on the account both of our present Pastor natural decay & the desire we have to see out orderly in more settled Circumstances what he himself is unwilling to do. where upon having had sayall of the gift of me Neddham his Assistant for four year & upward we do heartily approve of him as a pastor & heartily desire him as a pastor. And therefore do by this unanimously call him to that charge amongst us desiring God to justify his heart & to bestow it with it remaining according to our ability to make his life comfortable & to Indulge the same grace to walk in our Gospel Communion with saints as such as first was all of our Judgment witness our hands in the name of the whole Church

Dated Jan 29<sup>th</sup> 1709

John Dunt  
 George Oat  
 Tho' Belwood  
 John Brown  
 Edward Hurst  
 John Brown  
 Wandom Spender  
 John Osborn  
 John Bonner  
 Edward Wobly  
 Robert Cook

Tho' Tilly Junior  
 George Jackson  
 John Spagworth  
 Tho' Young  
 Hen Young  
 John Wilson of South  
 John Omer  
 Tho' Cook  
 John Birt  
 George Clark  
 Tho' Widd

John Wilson  
 Edward Hurst  
 James Gregory  
 Tho' Hill  
 Joseph Foster  
 Joseph Karant  
 Thomas Lawrence  
 Tho' Cooke  
 George Hill  
 Thomas Cecely



<sup>25</sup> Members into y<sup>e</sup> Country since  
Mr. Adams was chosen pastor - }  
Bro. Wright Hands - 1743  
July 24. -

Bro. Gylse at y<sup>e</sup> Holt }  
Bro. Sibly Kimpton } 1743  
Nov. 10. -

Transient Members  
In Hitching

- m<sup>rs</sup> Clarkson.
- m<sup>rs</sup> Gickel.
- m<sup>rs</sup> Hinton.
- m<sup>rs</sup> Clark.
- m<sup>rs</sup> Cook.

In y<sup>e</sup> Country  
Geo. Wren's wife  
Geo. Danton's wife  
Mr. Knell's wife

Sist. Ann Cain  
Pastor March 1<sup>st</sup> } 1743

~~Bro. [unclear]~~

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On the grave stone of the Rev<sup>d</sup> W<sup>t</sup> Needham, who was buried in the meeting house, is the following inscription.

Here lie the remains of the Rev<sup>d</sup> and learned W<sup>t</sup> John Needham, the late worthy and useful pastor of this church, who departed this life, Feb: 10<sup>th</sup>: 1742-3, in the 50<sup>th</sup> year of his age.

He was favored with a descent from religious parents, who very early instilled into him the principles of true piety, which under a divine blessing on younger years, produced in the following parts of his life, those constant and peaceable fruits of righteousness, which even his childhood seemed more than obscurely to presage. Soon after he had passed his 20<sup>th</sup> year, he received an invitation from this church to assist the Rev<sup>d</sup> W<sup>t</sup> Wilson, and about 4 years after was chosen copastor. His sentiments of the sacred and solemn obligations of the ministerial function were ~~also~~ always such, that no proposals of temporal advantages, appeared in the least to shake his noble and laudable resolution of not deserting his beloved flock. His eminent example, as a minister, husband, parent and friend, his natural and acquired abilities, his large share of spiritual gifts and graces, which never discovered themselves but under a veil of humility, and especially his patience, under a lingering indisposition, are not for this stone to tell; nor need they be mentioned here, when they are written in the hearts of his affectionate people and mournful relatives.



27 A List of the Subscribers towards Repairing  
 Enlarging the Meeting house in the Year four Thousand  
 one thousand seven hundred & sixty two

Subscribed.	£	s	d	Paid	£	s	d
J <sup>r</sup> Field of Mangrove	20	"	"	20	"	"	"
W <sup>m</sup> Thomas	10	10	"	10	10	"	"
J <sup>r</sup> Groom	4	4	"	4	4	"	"
Sam <sup>l</sup> Bradley	4	4	"	4	4	"	"
J <sup>r</sup> Lawrence	4	4	"	4	4	"	"
Nath. Saunders	2	2	"	2	2	"	"
J <sup>r</sup> Muns	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
Deas Foster	4	4	"	4	4	"	"
J <sup>r</sup> Hubbard	2	2	"	2	2	"	"
Ebez Hollich	10	0	"	10	"	"	"
Jos. Button	2	2	"	2	2	"	"
Tho <sup>s</sup> Jude	2	2	"	2	2	"	"
Rich <sup>d</sup> Foster	2	2	"	2	2	"	"
Rich <sup>d</sup> Lang	3	3	"	3	3	"	"
W <sup>m</sup> Minnerd	2	2	"	2	2	"	"
J <sup>r</sup> Bradley	2	2	"	2	2	"	"
Dan. Jayner of Preston	2	2	"	2	2	"	"
Jos. Field	5	5	"	5	5	"	"
James Salmon by W <sup>m</sup> Thomas	2	2	"	2	2	"	"
Mrs Mead & son	2	2	"	2	2	"	"
Dan. Marples	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
James Allin	1	11	6	1	11	6	"
W <sup>m</sup> Todd	1	11	6	1	11	6	"
M <sup>s</sup> North	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
J <sup>r</sup> Bowles of London	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
John Ofman	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
Jas. Smith	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
Tho <sup>s</sup> Crawly	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
Das. Underwood	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
Tho <sup>s</sup> Caporn	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
Tho <sup>s</sup> Welch	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
Rich <sup>d</sup> Brittin	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
J <sup>r</sup> Hughes	1	1	"	1	1	"	"
Rich <sup>d</sup> Angel	1	1	"	1	1	"	"

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Jo: Chalkley	1	1	u		1	1	u
Tho: Samm	1	1	u		1	1	u
Ann Groom	1	1	u		1	1	u
Jo: Phillips	1	1	u		1	1	u
Ab: Chapman	1	1	u		1	1	u
Edw: Button	1	1	u		1	1	u
Wm Chapman	1	1	u		1	1	u
Mr: Wilkison	1	1	u		1	1	u
Dan: Field	1	u	u		4	u	u
Mrs: Hide	1	1	u		1	1	u
Eliz & Mary Saunders	u	10	6		u	10	6
Jo: Brown	u	10	6		u	10	6
Mich: Mandel	u	10	6		u	10	6
Jo: Kingsley	u	10	6		u	10	6
Ann Page	u	10	6		u	10	6
Elisha: Clarke	u	10	6		u	10	6
Wm Gray	u	10	6		u	10	6
From London	u	10	6		u	10	6
Jos: Saunders	u	10	6		u	10	6
Wid: Meane	u	10	6		u	10	6
Jo: Bonn	u	5	u		u	5	u
By a Privet hand	u	5	u		u	5	u
Eliz: Sibley	u	2	6		u	2	6

16 6 6  
 Bro: over 103 10 u  
 119 16 6

Tho: Brown	1	1	u
Geo: Kidd	1	1	u
Robt Brown	u	10	6
Geo: Garrat	u	10	6
Row: Field	u	10	6



29	17 62	The Bills D. by J <sup>o</sup> Lawrance for Inlarging the Meeting House			
	Nov 16.	Tho <sup>s</sup> Archers bill for Work & Deals	7	4	6
	Decem <sup>r</sup> 0.	Edw <sup>d</sup> Patres's bill for Work	3	19	
	14	James Smiths bill for Ironmongers goods	6	14	
		Rich <sup>d</sup> Lanes bill	60	9	6
	17 63.				
	Jan <sup>y</sup> 4.	Dan <sup>l</sup> Fields bill for Work haid & sand	25	0	
		Sam <sup>l</sup> Bradley for Ware & Carting	27	6	
		Sam <sup>l</sup> Impeys bill for Limes & Carting	1	2	
		Tho <sup>s</sup> Ashwood bill for Work	0	5	
		J <sup>o</sup> M <sup>r</sup> Groom a years Interest for Twenty Pounds	1		
		M <sup>r</sup> Thomass bill for mens work & bills D <sup>d</sup> 10. 11. 10 1/2	10	11	10 1/2
		Reu <sup>d</sup> James Salmons Subscription Money <sup>in Part</sup> 2: 2: 0			
		W <sup>m</sup> Thomas (Due to Ballance)	16	9	10 1/2
		Due to J <sup>o</sup> Lawrance to Ballance	2	13	6
			19	3	4 1/2
		Subscription Money Reu <sup>d</sup> - - - - - 117. 14. 6	159	19	10 1/2
		Reu <sup>d</sup> of the Church Stock which - - - - - 221: 0: 0	130	14	6
		J <sup>o</sup> Foster Paid in 20 <sup>th</sup> Intrest a year			
			130	14	6
		M <sup>r</sup> Thomas Reu <sup>d</sup> M <sup>r</sup> <del>James</del> Salmon	21	5	4 1/2
		as above to be subtracted out - - - - -	2	2	0
		(Due from the Church to W <sup>m</sup> Thomas & J <sup>o</sup> Lawrance to Ballance this Acc <sup>t</sup> )	19	3	4 1/2





A List of the Subscribers towards the New Burying-Ground in Tile-house Street which was purchased in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Two.

	L	S	D	L	S	D
In-hand (left several years ago by John Plumb of Hitchin)	05	00	00	100	02	00
From London Viz James Gregory John Hide Frederick Bull Leader Cox John Baskerville John Ward	20	00	00			
John Hubbard (Blunham)	02	02	00			
William Mainers (Kempson)	02	02	00			
Thomas Fild (Balsock)	02	02	00			
Math. & Deere Foster (Wimondly)	02	02	00			
Daniel Collison (Hitchin)	01	16	00			
Daniel Joiner Do	01	11	06			
Thomas Tamm (Wimondly)	01	11	06			
John Wilson (Buston)	01	11	06			
John Chalkley (Tanhards)	01	11	06			
John Warner (Hitchin)	01	10	00			
Joseph Sutton Do	01	01	00			
Ann Foster Do	01	01	00			
Katherine Clarkson Do	01	01	00			
Thomas Jude (Schelford)	01	01	00			
Lydia Deere (Wimondly)	01	01	00			
Daniel Joiner (Buston)	01	01	00			
Benjamin Gotheridge Do	01	01	00			
John Philip (Lawrence End)	01	01	00			
Joseph Iron (Balsock)	01	01	00			
George Redd (Westhale)	01	01	00			
Elizabeth Foskett (Hitchin)	01	01	00			
Sarah Berry Do	01	01	00			
Martha Ellis (Mullebone)	01	01	00			
	100	02	00	131	15	00

£ 131 - 15 - 0

£ 138 - 16 - 0

Abraham Chapman } 01 - 01 - 0  
 (Hony Stratford) }  
 John Bowles (Linton) - 01 - 01 - 0  
 John Cooper (Hitchin) - 00 - 15 - 0  
 Henry Welch Do - 00 - 10 - 6  
 John Davis (Chequer) - 00 - 10 - 6  
 James Roberts (Bretton) - 00 - 10 - 6  
 Henry Cadder Do - 00 - 10 - 6  
 Thomas Crawly Do - 00 - 10 - 6  
 Wm Todd (Little Ansey) - 00 - 10 - 6  
 John Hughes (Wimondly) - 00 - 10 - 6  
 John Orsman Do - 00 - 10 - 6

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£ 138 - 16 - 0

Henry Cooper (Hitchin) - 00 - 10 - 6  
 Saml Mitchel (at the Road) - 00 - 10 - 6  
 Thomas Lawrence (Harding) - 00 - 10 - 6  
 Edward Dermer (Gomue) - 00 - 08 - 0  
 Edward Button (Hitchin) - 00 - 07 - 6  
 Edward Pakes Do - 00 - 06 - 0  
 Robert Baldoock Do - 00 - 05 - 0  
 Robert Brown Do - 00 - 05 - 0  
 George Welch Do - 00 - 05 - 0

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Total £ 142 - 04 - 0

N.B. The Ground Cost - 30 - 00 - 0  
 Walling it in and other Expence - 90 - 00 - 0  
 The Remainder <sup>work</sup> for repairing  
 the Meeting House

Memorandum - When the said Ground was purchased it was unanimously agreed that the Families of all the Subscribers should have an equal right of Burying there Also that the poor belonging to the Church or Congregation shall reap the free Benefit thereof But every person burying there who is neither a Subscriber nor hearer shall pay an acknowledgement for the same That is to say for every person that is deemed poor Two Shillings and Six pence for one in middling Circumstances the sum of Five Shillings for others who are rich what they please above Ten.

Agreed also that the Money for breaking the Ground be paid into the hands of our B<sup>r</sup> Thomas and Williams (to go towards Repairs) who are deputed to have the Oversight of the said Burying place and be applied to for Leave of Interment by such persons as have no right.

Agreed also that the price for digging a Grave double or single be not above half a Crown and that the said Grave be (once at least) neatly Turfed for the same.

N.B. The price for a Child is one Shilling.

Turn over.



Agreed likewise that if any members of Back Street Church shall be desirous of being buried in our Ground & had made it their request that if pastor of the above Church should preach a Sermon upon the occasion at this place that in that case but not otherwise he shall have the liberty of the Pulpit.

Whereas, many Years ago, a Sum of Money was given or left by a Friend, for the Interest thereof to be applied to the Support of the Pastor of this Church, for the Time being; and whereas, on the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of June, 1792, the further Sum of Sixty Pounds was intrusted to the Care of Messrs. James Allen, Daniel Lane, and Thomas Hardwick, by another Friend (who wishes his Name to be concealed) for the same Purpose; with the latter Sum and a Part of the former were purchased, on the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of April, 1793, One Hundred Pounds, in the Four per Cent. Annuities, Consolidated April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1780, the whole purchase Money amounting to Eighty Nine Pounds. The above Purchase was made by W<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Caporn, in his own Name and that of W<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Brody. Thomas Chant, Broker.

The other part of the Money first mentioned above, which in all amounts to Twenty eight Pounds, is placed out on Two Notes of Hand, one of them for Ten Pounds, which Note is in the Possession of W<sup>r</sup>. James Smith, the other for Eighteen Pounds, which is in the Possession of W<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Caporn. The Notes are both of them dated July the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1793.

N. B. The sum of Ten Pounds above mentioned, the Note of Hand for which was in the Possession of W<sup>r</sup>. James Smith has been paid, and with it together with other Sum, One Hundred Pounds purchased in the Four per Cent. Annuities, for an account of which, see Page the 4<sup>th</sup>.

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Whereas Mr William Thomas  
 who Died the 22 of May 1781  
 did by his last Will & Testament  
 Bequeath the Sum of one Hundred  
 pounds to the Church, collecting in  
 Silers Street The Interest of which  
 to be applyed towards the Support  
 of the Pastor of the said Church  
 for the Time Being with the same  
 Sum was Purchased July 2 in the Year  
 above mentioned one Hundred Thirty  
 four pounds Fourteen shillings & Nine  
 pence in the form of an Annuity  
 Consolidated April 16<sup>th</sup> 1780  
 in the Name of Mr Robert Thomas  
 one of the Trustees for the same

December 7<sup>th</sup> 1782 The above Annuity  
 was transfer'd by Mr Robert Thomas to  
 himself Mr Thomas Caporn and  
 Mr Samuel Bradley



A List of the members belonging to the Church in Tile-house Street when Mr. James took the Pastoral Charge July 13<sup>th</sup> 1743.

Remaining of those received in Mr. Wilson's Time

Brethren

- + John Tomalin. dead.
- + John Chalkly. dead.
- + George Bouse. dead.

Sisters Received in Mr. Wilson's Time

- + Mary Foskett. dead.
- + Sarah Deere. dead.
- + Sarah Thobolt. dead.
- + Penn Foster. dead.
- + Dorothy Foster. dead.
- + Elizabeth How.

Of those received by Mr. Needham

Brethren

- + Nicholas King. 1710. dead.
- + Joseph Ison. received 1713. dead.
- + Jeremiah Gazely 1715. Dead.
- + John Pancost. 1715. dead.
- + John Lumbus. 1716. Dead.
- + John Saunders. 1718. cut off.
- + Thomas Beauchamp. dead.

John Foster.

- + Jonathan Kilpin. dead
- + Aaron Heath. dead.
- + Henry Merritt. 1727. dead
- + John Williams. 1727. Dead.
- + John Pack 1720. dead.
- John Hine. 1720.
- John Lawrence 1729. dead
- + Thomas Lawrence 1729  
(dismiss'd to St. albans)

Sisters Received in Mr. Needham's Time

- + Alice Hurst. 1710. dead.
- + Elizabeth Deere (now Foster) 1711. dead.
- + Rebecca Wilson (of Henlow) 1711.
- + Jane Young 1711. dead.
- + Hannah Carter (now Cooper) 1714. Dead
- + Susanna Mead. 1716. dead
- + Sarah Impey 1716. dead.
- + Sarah Gore 1718. dead.
- + Mary Ashwood (now Welch) 1720. dead
- + Ann Foster (now Hubbard)
- + Jane Journey (now Cooke) 1727. Dead
- + Mary Jordan. 1727. Dead
- + Ann Hine 1728. dead.
- + Elizabeth Lawrence 1728. dead
- + Ann Arnold 1728. dead
- + Widow Burnidge 1729. dead
- + Mary Law. 1730. Dead.
- + Mary Robinson 1730. Dead
- + Lydia Deere 1731. Dead
- + Elizabeth Giles. 1731.
- + Valentine (now Hain) 1730.

Brothers Continued.

- + John Wren. 1729. Dead.
- + Thomas Robinson 1730. Dead.
- + Thomas Bass. 1730. dead
- + William Giles. 1730. dead.
- + John Merritt. 1731.
- + Thomas Ashwood 1732. dead.
- + William Law. 1732.
- + Daniel Carter. 1732!
- + John Bonn. 1732. Dead
- + William Thomas. 1732.
- + Edward Tilroe 1733. cut off.
- + Thomas Robotham. 1733.
- + John Kelpin 1733. dead.
- + Thomas Barker. 1733. Dead.
- + Thomas Philips. 1733.
- + John Walker. 1733. dead.
- + Nathaniel Field 1734. dead.
- + John Dunton 1734. cut off.
- + George Redd. 1734.
- + John Merrit / Cockermoe 1734. Dead
- + Michael Traveller. 1734. cut off.
- + Daniel Ashwood 1734. dead.
- + John Bennet. 1734.
- + Daniel Adcock (dismiss'd to Luton)
- + Daniel Mardel 1735.
- + Edward Feaux. 1735. dead.
- + Thomas Ward 1737.
- + John Stevens. 1738. dead.
- + Ebenezer Hollick 1739 <sup>removed to Cambridge</sup> Dead.
- + Richard Gurney 1739. Dead.
- + William Maynard. 1740. (cut out).
- + Samuel Wheeler. 1740. dead.
- + John Hill 1740
- + Thomas Linnell 1741. Dismissed

Sisters.

- + Wilmor. dead.
- + Susanna Carter. 1731. dead.
- + Mary Cotton. 1731. Dead.
- + Ann. Chalkley 1731. Dead.
- + ——— Peddoe. 1731. dead.
- + Ann Thomas. 1732. Dead.
- + Mary Ashwood 1733. Dead.
- + ——— Joiner (now Crawly) 1733.
- + Mary Ward 1733. dead.
- + ——— Philips. 1733. dead
- + Wid<sup>w</sup> Clarke (of Histon) 1733.
- + ——— Clarke (of Standon) dead.
- + Ann Field (of Willian) 1733. Dead.
- + Elizabeth Chalkley (of Weston) 1733.
- + Wid<sup>w</sup> Stevens 1733. Dead!
- + Judith Hill 1734. Dead.
- + Mary Gurney 1737. now Barker.
- + Mary Needham (now James) 1739.
- + Sarah Mardel. (formerly Chalkley) 1739.
- + Elizabeth Mardel. 1740.
- + Esther Jones (now Hide) 1742.

Transient Members.

- Received in Mr. Needham's Time
- + Katharine Clarkson. dead. (Dr. Waller)
  - + Elizabeth Tickle. dead (Luton)
  - + Mary Wren. (Mrs Bime) Dead.
  - + Mary Dunton. (Touhill) Dead
  - + Wid<sup>w</sup> Knowlton (Luton) dead.
  - + ——— Cooke (Gransden) dead.
  - + ——— Mrs Hinton (Mr. Hall) dead

Total. 108. When Mr. Needham died



37 A List of Members added to the Church in Mr  
James's Time. Viz from July 13<sup>th</sup> 1743. c

Brethren.

- x William Wright 1743. dead.
- x John Tibley <sup>1743</sup> dead.
- x John Tiler <sup>dismissed</sup> November 10. 1743.
- x William Chapman <sup>Dead</sup>
- John Cooper. March 4. 1744.
- x Isaac Nash. July 21. 1745. cut off.
- Michael Mardel August 31. 1746.
- John Cain Feb. 1. 1746.
- x Joseph Fuld <sup>(Occasional Communion. 1747) Dead</sup>
- Richard How May 7<sup>th</sup> 1749.
- William Lane 1750.
- x John Tibley. 1750. Dead
- x Francis Law 1750. Dead.
- x John Bradley. 1751. Dead.
- x Isaac Hamkin 1752. dead.
- x Joseph Haskins 1752. Dead.
- x Matthew Cooper. 1753. cut off.
- Thomas Caporn. 1753.
- x Richard Brittain 1753. cut off
- x Francis James 1753. Dead.
- John Goodwin 1753.
- William Middleton. 1754.
- Michael Cullidge 1754
- x John Dunton <sup>(restored again)</sup> 1755. Dead

Sisters.

- x Ann Cain. 1743. dead.
- Sarah Burnidge <sup>(now Ward)</sup> 1744.
- x Ann Lane <sup>(dismissed from St. Albans. 1744. Dead)</sup>
- Rebekah Hudson. <sup>(now Nash)</sup> 1745.
- x Elizabeth Goodwin. 1745. Dead
- Abby 1745.
- x Susanna Chalkly 1746. dead
- x Rebecca Button 1746. dead.
- Mary How. <sup>(now Groom)</sup> 1746.
- Sarah Kilpin <sup>(now Lane)</sup> 1747.
- x Wid<sup>ow</sup> Drinkwater 1747. Dead.
- Sarah Bradley <sup>(now Drinkwater)</sup> 1747.
- x Elizabeth Gazely 1747. Dead.
- Hannah Loveston <sup>(now Robinson)</sup> 1748.
- Susanna Chalkley <sup>(now Underwood)</sup> 1749.
- Sarah Chalkley <sup>(now Mardel)</sup> restored 1749.
- Wid<sup>ow</sup> Hamkin 1749. Dead.
- x Mary Bradley 1749. Dead
- Haskins 1750. Dead.
- x Elizabeth Law <sup>(of Kempton)</sup> 1750. Dead
- x Jane Hobbs. 1751. Dead
- x Sarah Berry 1751. Dead.
- Esther Permer. 1751.
- Elizabeth How 1751.
- x Eleanor Hunt. 1751. dead
- x Ann Hollick 1752. <sup>removed to Cambridge</sup>

## Brethren.

- + Nathaniel Saunders (deified from Hempsted) 1755 Dead  
 + William Winters 1755 - dead.  
 + John Abby. 1756. Dead.  
 James Allen. 1750.  
 Joseph Ashwood. 1750.  
 John Saunders. 1750.  
 James Gurney. 1750.  
 James Smith. 1750.  
 Thomas Crawley. 1750.

Turn Over.

## Sisters.

- Elizabeth Lawrence (now Chalkly) 1752.  
 + Mary Newton (now Kendall) 1752. <sup>cut off</sup>  
 + Sarah Baker. 1752. dead.  
 + Susanna Archer. 1753. dead.  
 + Mary Grey. 1753. cut off.  
 + Mary Cook. 1753. Dead.  
 + Ann Watson. 1753. Dead.  
 + Ann Pierson 1753. now Dobbins <sup>cut off</sup>  
 Elizabeth Wheeler. 1753 (now Smith)  
 Mary Irons. 1753 (now Whitby)  
 Ann Custerson (now Page) 1753.  
 + Wid<sup>w</sup> Tutton. 1754. Dead.  
 Mary Hamkin. 1754.  
 Elizabeth Giles (now Shephard) 1754.  
 Mary Barnes. 1755.  
 Elizabeth Hill. 1755.  
 Elizabeth North. 1755.  
 + Sarah Goodwin. 1755. Dead.  
 + Mary Cain (now Kingley) 1755. dead.  
 + Susanna Tiber. 1755. Dead.  
 Elizabeth Allen. 1756.  
 Elizabeth Tibley 1756 (now Montague)  
 Martha Wilmer 1756.  
 + Mary Barker. 1758. Dead.  
 Mary Ward. 1758.  
 + Susanna Irons 1758. dead.  
 Mary Smith. 1758.  
 + Hezia Hitchin 1758. Dead.  
 + Elizabeth Henrick 1758 (now Pinkwater) <sup>cut off</sup>  
 + Martha Saunders. 1758. Dead.



Thomas Lawrence }  
William Grey } May 27. 1759.  
John Chapman } Dismissed to Bygones

Thomas Kendall - July 15. 1759. Dead

Elisha Clarke Occasional Communion  
member of Graniden Church Nov 4. 1759

Abraham Whitby }  
Nathaniel Field } April 20. 1760.

David Valentine May 16. 1760. dead

Daniel Perkins }  
Samuel Jackson } June 18. 1760.  
Joseph Saunders }

Richard Bosworth }  
Francis Evens } January 11. 1761.

Matthew Robinson April 5. 1761.

Mr. Wilkinson Occasional Communion  
from Mr. Winters Church in London  
May 21. 1762 - Gone to London.

Sarah Lawrence }  
Lydia Silsoe }  
Elizabeth Carter } May 27. 1759.  
Mary Saunders }

Ann Ward. July 15. 1759. (now Foster)

Sarah Foster Dead  
Hannah Carter Dead  
Ann Munns } Nov 4. 1759

Sarah Waterfield }  
(now Bevins) dead

Sarah Valentine }  
Elizabeth Saunders } May 16. 1760.  
(now Day)

Sarah Dawson }  
Sarah Saunders } June 18. 1760  
Elizabeth Walker } now Evens.

Ann Jude dead  
Mary Merritt }  
Mary Impey } September 7. 1760

Hannah Pidgeon } Dead  
Mary Law Junior } November 16. 1760

Sarah Crawley Jan. 11. 1761.

Elizabeth Robinson } now Fisher.  
Hannah Robinson } April 5. 1761.  
Dead

Ann Whitbread Occasional Communion  
from Blunham Church June 26. 1761.  
Gone back to Blunham -

Elizabeth Impey Senior }  
Elizabeth Impey Junior } July 24. 1761.  
(now Thomas) Dead

Mary Angel Dismissed from Mr.  
Halls Church. May 21. 1762.

Mary Mead from Mr. Bunker  
Church at Thorn. Dismissed

Thomas Butterfield Oct 31. 1762  
Richard Angel removed from  
Back Street  
William Smith August 6 - 1769.

William Merritt  
John Wheeler }  
Wm Croft. } May 27  
Thom<sup>r</sup> Ansell } 1770

Joseph Robinson }  
John Eason. } November 30  
1770.

Daniel Lane }  
Peter Poulter } July 20.  
Wm Wells. } 1770.

Henry Walker }  
February 24 - 1771.

Rachel Endersby - Oct 31. 1762.  
Elizabeth Nichols Occasional Commi-  
sioner from Mr. Hitchins Church. Oct. 31. 1762.

Elizabeth Redd. }  
Elizabeth Hervey } Dec. 11. 1763.

Anna James dismissed }  
from Hempsted Church } Nov 7 - 1766.

Tucker Pipkin \_\_\_\_\_ 1768.  
Susanna Cook August 6 - 1769.

Elizabeth Merritt  
Sarah Ansell }  
Sarah Saunders (wife of John Saunders) } May  
27.  
Fathia Pilgrim } 1770.

Ruth Empey.  
Sarah Lane - (wife of young R Lane)  
Sarah Lane (daughter of R Lane elder)

Elizabeth Marsden (daughter of  
John Michael Marsden) }  
Ann Day. } November 30  
1770.

Hannah Gentle  
Martha Robinson }

Elizabeth Walker }  
Sarah Ward (junior) } February  
24 - 1771.  
Sarah Law.  
Rebecca Kilby  
Elizabeth Snow  
Ann Knight }



John Merritt (Junior)  
 Richard Lane.  
 William Davis.  
 Thomas Hill (cut off).  
 Robert Parker.  
 Lawrence Carter.

May 17  
 1771.

Elizabeth Lane  
 Sarah Hawthorn.  
 Ann Winch.  
 Ann Ferr.  
 Mary Eyles.  
 Martha Crawley.  
 Sarah Davis.  
 Sarah Chalkley

May 17<sup>th</sup>  
 1771.

John Field July 14. 1771.

29<sup>th</sup> m 1771

see 195 members  
 duty m James  
 ministry

Hannah Jempy  
 Elizabeth Croft.  
 Sarah Mead  
 Susannah Lane  
 Mary Mof.  
 Lydia Ward.  
 Elizabeth Lockey.

July 14. 1771.

Whereas a legacy of twenty pounds was left by the last Will and Testament of our sister Mrs. Elizabeth Montague of Stimpson, in the County of Hertford, who died January the 26<sup>th</sup> 1739, for the interest thereof to be applied towards the support of the pastor for the time being of this church, which legacy after deducting one pound four shillings for the duty on it amounted to eighteen pounds sixteen shillings, with this sum and ten pounds of the church's money, for an account of which, see page 33<sup>rd</sup> our brother Mr. Thomas Caporn generously made up out of his own property, the sum of eighty pounds fifteen shillings, with which was purchased on the 8<sup>th</sup> of May 1800, one hundred pounds, in the Four per Cent. Annuities Consolidated April 6<sup>th</sup> 1780, which purchase was made by Mr. Samuel Bradley in his own name and that of Mr. Samuel Smith. Thomas Grant, Broker.

See Page the 8<sup>th</sup> the other side of this Book.

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A list of the members belonging to  
the Church in Tile-house Street when  
W<sup>r</sup> Geard took the pastoral charge  
April 9<sup>th</sup> 13: 1775<sup>o</sup>

Brethren received in  
W<sup>r</sup> Geard's times

- X John Hoster dead.
- X John Hine 1728 dead.
- X John Lawrence 1729 dead
- X John Merritt 1731 dead
- X William Law 1732 dead
- X W<sup>m</sup> Thomas 1732 dead
- X Thomas Robotham 1733 dead
- X John Philips 1733 dead
- X George Redde 1734 dead
- X Daniel Wardle 1735 dead
- X Thomas Wardle 1737 dead.
- X Ebenezer Hollik 1739 dead
- X John Hills 1740 dead

Sisters received in  
W<sup>r</sup> Geard's times

- X Rebecca Wilson 1711 dead
- X Ann Hoster (now Hubbar) dead
- ~~James (now Crawley) 1722~~
- X Valentine (now Main) 1730 dead
- X Elizabeth Chalkeley 1733 dead
- X Anne (now Crawley) 1733
- X Mary Gurfey (now Barber) 1733
- X Mary Needham (now James) 1733
- X Elizabeth Wardle 1740 dead
- X Esther Jones (now Hild) 1742

Sisters 9  
Brethren 13  
Total 22

Brethren received in  
Mr James's time

- x John Cooper March 4<sup>th</sup>: 1744 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Michael Mardle August 31: 1746 <sup># dead</sup>
- x John Cain Feb: 1: 1748 dead.
- x Richard Now May 9<sup>th</sup>: 1749 <sup># dead</sup>
- x W<sup>m</sup> Lane 1750 dead.
- x Thomas Caporn 1753 dead.
- x John Goodwin 1753 dead
- x W<sup>m</sup> Middleton 1754 dead
- x Michael Cullidge 1754 dead
- x James Allen 1750 dead
- x Joseph Atwood 1750 dead
- x John Saunders 1750 dead.
- x James Gurney 1750 dead.
- x James Smith 1750 dead
- x Thomas Crawley 1750 dead

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Sisters received  
in Mr James's time

- x Sarah Buridge (now Ward) 1744 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Abby 1745 dead
- x Mary Now (now Groom) 1746 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Sarah Bradley (now Drinkwater) 1747 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Hannah Covert (now Robinson) 1748 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Susanna Chalkley (now Underwood) 1749 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Sarah Chalkley (now Mardle) 1749 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Esther Dearmer 1751 dead
- x Elizabeth Now 1751 dead
- x Ann Hollick 1752 dead
- x Elizabeth Lawrence (now Chalkley) 1752 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Elizabeth Wheeler (now Smith) 1753 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Mary Irons (now Whitby) 1753 dead
- x Ann Covert (now Page) 1753 dead
- x Mary Hamkin 1754 dead
- x Elizabeth Childs (now Shepherd) 1754 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Mary Barnes 1755 dead
- x Elizabeth Hill 1755 dead
- x Elizabeth North 1755 dead
- x Elizabeth Allen 1756 dead
- x Elizabeth Hibley (now Montague) 1756 <sup># dead</sup>
- x Martha Wilmer 1756 dead
- x Mary Ward 1758 dead
- x Mary Smith 1758 dead



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Thomas Lawrence dead #  
Wm Grey dead May 27: 1759

Elisha Clarke occasional  
communion member of  
Grandden church Nov 4: 1759

Abraham Whitby April 20: 1760

Daniel Perkins dead

Sam<sup>l</sup> Jackson dismissed June 10: 1760

Joseph Saunders dead

Richard Bosworth dead Jan 11

Francis Evans 1761 dead

Matthew Robinson April 5: 1761

Thomas Butterfield Dec 31: 1762

Richard Angel dismissed  
from Back Street church dead

Wm Robinson, cut off.

Tho. Jude 1760 dead

Sarah Lawrence dead  
Lydia Silvefnow Burroughs dead

Elizabeth Carter dead  
Mary Saunders dismissed May 27: 1759

Ann Ward now ~~with~~ <sup>had with</sup> July 15: 1759 dead

Ann Munns Nov 4: 1759 dead

Sarah Valentine dead  
Elizabeth Saunders now Day  
now Stuyll dead May 16: 1760

Sarah Dawson dead

Sarah Saunders dead June 10: 1760

Elizabeth Walker now Evans dead

Mary Merritt now Jackson Sep 7: 1760 dead

Mary Impey 1760 dead

Mary Law now Anned #  
Nov 16: 1760 dead

Sarah Crawley Jan 11: 1761 dead

Elizabeth Robinson now Fisher <sup>dead</sup> April 5: 1761

Elizabeth Impey July 24: 1761 dead

Mary Angel dismissed from  
W<sup>o</sup> Halle church May 21: 1762 dead

~~Elizabeth Impey~~ Elizabeth Impey dead

Rose Carter now Payment dead

Mary Mead from W<sup>o</sup> Bun-  
kerb church at Thorne dead

Rachel Endersby Dec 31: 1762 dead

Elizabeth Oxen <sup>dead</sup> Dec 11: 1763

Elizabeth Hervey dead

Anna James dismissed from  
Hempstead church Nov 7: 1766

~~Elizabeth Impey~~

Mary Pipkin 1760 dead

X W<sup>m</sup> Smith August 6: 1769<sup>th</sup> <sup>dead</sup>  
 X W<sup>m</sup> Merritt dead  
 X John Wheeler<sup>cut off</sup> May 29<sup>th</sup>  
 X W<sup>m</sup> Croft ex<sup>com</sup> 1770  
 X Tho<sup>s</sup> Ansel dead  
 X Joseph Robinson<sup>dismissed</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>  
 X John Eason<sup>dismissed</sup> 1770  
 X Daniel Lane<sup>dead</sup>  
 X Peter Boulter<sup>dead</sup> July 4<sup>th</sup> 20  
 X W<sup>m</sup> Wells<sup>dismissed</sup> 1770

X Swanna Cook August 6: 1769<sup>th</sup> <sup>dead</sup>  
 X Elizabeth Merritt dead.  
 X Sarah Ansel dead  
 X Sarah Saunders (wife of John Saunders) dismissed  
 X Sabitha Pilgrim now Thody<sup>dead</sup> May 29<sup>th</sup> 1770  
 X Ruth Impey (now Lane) dead  
 X Sarah Lane wife of young Richard Lane dead  
 X Sarah Lane (now Whitbread) dismissed

X Elizabeth Marolle cut off daughter of brother Michael Marolle Nov<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1770  
 X Ann Day dead.  
 X Hannah Gentle dead  
 X Martha Robinson<sup>dismissed</sup>

X Elizabeth Walker dead  
 X Sarah Ward  
 X Henry Walker<sup>th</sup> Feb: 24: 1771<sup>th</sup> <sup>dead</sup>  
 X Sarah Law (now Johnson) dead Feb 24<sup>th</sup> 1771  
 X Rebecca Kilby (now Raw) 1771  
 X Elizabeth Snow cut off  
 X Ann Knight dead



- X John Merritt Junior dead
- X Richard Lane dead
- X Wm Davis dead
- X Robert Parker ~~or~~ excluded
- X Lawrence Carter dead

May 17<sup>th</sup>  
1771

- X Elizabeth Lane dead
- X Sarah Hawthorn dead
- X Ann Winch, now Arnold, excluded
- X Ann Harrison Smith
- X Mary Cyres dead
- X Martha Fawley dead
- X Sarah Davis dead
- X Sarah Chalkley dead

May 17<sup>th</sup>  
1771

X John Field July 14<sup>th</sup>: 1771 dead

- X Hannah Impey dead
- X Elizabeth Croft
- X Sarah Mead dead
- X Susanna Lane dead
- X Mary Mose (now over the)
- X Lydia Ward cut off
- X Elizabeth Beckey dismissed

July 14<sup>th</sup>  
1771

Brethren in all received in W<sup>r</sup> James's time which with the 13 received in W<sup>r</sup> Breedham's time make ~~113~~ 110

Sisters in all 83 received in W<sup>r</sup> James's time, which with the 9 received in W<sup>r</sup> Needham's time make ~~92~~ 92.

The whole number of Brethren and Sisters added together amounts to ~~223~~ 156.

- X Ann Goodwin (now Brew)
- X Rebecca Cooper (now Wilshire) dead
- X Elizabeth Kingly dead
- X Maria Valentine dead

These ~~are~~ being added to ~~the~~ above ~~it~~ appears the number of sisters amounts to ~~92~~ 96.

A list of members added unto the church<sup>40</sup>  
in Mr Gears time viz, from April 13<sup>th</sup>: 1775.

Brethren

X John Prior Oct<sup>th</sup> 27: 1776.  
Dismissed.

Sisters

X Ann Osborne exclud<sup>d</sup> Sept<sup>th</sup> 8: 1776  
X Susanna Mardle (now Lane) dead.

X Lydia Lane (now Brown) dead  
X Hannah Valentine (now Hunt) Oct<sup>th</sup> 27: 1776

X Mary Gillam dead  
X Ann Lee dead. } Nov<sup>th</sup> 24: 1776

X Mary Smith dead  
now Clark dead.  
X Elizabeth Sibly May 25: 1777  
now Hanson  
X Elizabeth Ward dead

X Richard Smith Feb: 8: 1778<sup>th</sup> dead  
X Mary Woods Feb: 8: 1778<sup>th</sup> dead

X John Bradley dead  
X Thomas Lightfoot March 20: 1779.

X Sam<sup>l</sup> Day Nov: 21: 1779<sup>th</sup> dead  
X Sarah Arnold Nov: 21: 1779<sup>th</sup> dead

X Tho: Atkins dead.  
X Wm Smith May 7: 1780<sup>th</sup>

X Wm Belmont Sep: 24: 1780<sup>th</sup>  
He was dismissed from Gamgay church dead



Brethren

Sisters

X Joseph Pilgrim Dec<sup>r</sup>: 2<sup>nd</sup>: 1701, excluded.

X William Robinson (restored) May 2: 1704<sup>dead</sup>

X James Bunker June 26: 1705. <sup>Withdrawn</sup>

Thomas Field }  
George Beech } Sept: 4<sup>th</sup>: 1705.

X Benjamin Arnold Dec<sup>r</sup>: 4<sup>th</sup>: 1705<sup>Dead</sup>

X Charles Dellar Sept: 9, 1706<sup>dead</sup>

X John Betts Oct<sup>r</sup>: 4, 1707<sup>Excluded</sup>

X Mary Honour Dec<sup>r</sup>: 3: 1700. <sup>dead</sup>

X Elizabeth Gregg Aug<sup>t</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup>: 1701.

X Elizabeth Heard Aug<sup>t</sup>: 7<sup>th</sup>: 1702 <sup>dead</sup>

X Abigail Atkins May 30<sup>th</sup>: 1704. <sup>dead</sup>

X Miriam Thomas (now Nutt) <sup>dead</sup>  
X Mary Gentle <sup>dead</sup>. Oct<sup>r</sup>: 3: 1704.

X Lydia Lightfoot (restored) Feb: 6: 1705. <sup>excl.</sup>

Mary Whitby Oct<sup>r</sup>: 4, 1707.

Brethren

Sisters

X Thomas Hardwick Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> 1788.  
N.B. He removed his commun-  
-ion from the church at Little  
Haughton. dead.

X John Raves April 5<sup>th</sup> 1789<sup>th</sup> dead

X Thomas Butterfield [restored] dead  
Jan. 3, 1790.

X Wm Austin } excluded  
Jon. Bryant } Oct. 3, 1790.

X John Simes Dec. 1, 1793. excluded

X James Hidd Sep. 7, 1794. dead

X Edward Beech } dead  
X John Foster } dead  
X Tho. Cawley } Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> 1794.  
X John Grey dismissed.

Dan. Lane Jun. } July 5, 1795.  
John Cawley }

X Sarah Wardle (restored) April 5<sup>th</sup> 1789. <sup>dead</sup>

X Ann Morley April 7, 1793. <sup>dead</sup>

X Sarah Arnold Aug. 4<sup>th</sup> 1793. <sup>dead</sup>

X Ann Bradley <sup>now Cawley</sup> dead Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> 1794.  
X Eliz. Foster }

X Anna Smith <sup>now Cawley</sup> dead Aug. 2, 1795.

X Sarah Smith <sup>now Lane</sup> dead Sep. 6, 1795.

X Sarah Foster } Nov. 1, 1795.  
Mary Foster }

X Sarah Bunyan Dec. 6, 1795. <sup>excluded.</sup>



# Brethren

# Sisters

X Samuel Lane <sup>dead</sup>  
 Deare Foster } July 3, 1796.  
 X Michael Foster <sup>dead</sup>  
 Edward Foster }

William Hill } Dec. 4, 1796.  
 X John Lane <sup>dead</sup> }

X Tho. Everitt <sup>dead</sup> } June 4, 1797.  
 John Bates }  
 X Wm. Bunyan } excluded.

X Wm. Kingsley <sup>dead</sup> } August 6, 1797.  
 X Tho. Williams Button } excluded.

X John Farner } Oct. 1, 1797, <sup>exclud.</sup>

Samuel Day, Oct. 5, 1800.

X Sarah Allen <sup>dead</sup>  
 X Mary Everitt <sup>dead</sup>  
 X Eliz. Lawrence <sup>now Wilborn</sup> } June 5, 1796.  
 John Foster <sup>now Allen</sup> }  
 X Eliz. Crawley <sup>now Foster</sup> } <sup>dead</sup>

X Lettice Merritt <sup>dead</sup>  
 X Mary Merritt <sup>now Button</sup> } Nov. 6, 1796.  
 X Sarah Crawley <sup>dead</sup> }

Eliz. Fredale } July 2, 1797.  
 Sarah James <sup>now James</sup> }

X Hannah Bates <sup>dead</sup> } Nov. 3, 1799.  
 Elizabeth Foster }  
 X Sarah Welch <sup>dead</sup> } Dec. 1, 1799.

Sarah Bryant } July 6, 1800.  
 Martha Merritt <sup>now Hill</sup> }

X Rebecca Chapman <sup>dismissed</sup> } June 5, 1803.

# Brethren

# Sisters

Wm. Wilshire }  
David Wilshire } July 1, 1804.

x Tho. Wren April 4, 1805 <sup>dismissed.</sup>

x Mary Wren April 4, 1805 <sup>dismissed.</sup>

Sarah Carter April 6, 1806.

Mary Drinkwater June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1806.

Martha Beard }  
Sarah Lane } Oct 7<sup>th</sup>, 1807. <sup>dismissed.</sup>  
x Hannah Wren }

x Sarah Watson <sup>dead</sup> }  
x Jane Cooper <sup>dead</sup> } July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1808.

Rebecca Clark <sup>dismissed.</sup> }  
x Lydia Foster } June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1809.

Ruth Barber }  
x Susanna Lane <sup>dead</sup> } Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1809.

Caleb Wilshire }  
James Kaves } March 11, 1810

x Mary Rudol <sup>now Willson</sup> }  
Martha Rudol <sup>now Clark</sup> } June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1812.

Frances Impey }  
Charlotte Baker <sup>now propitied</sup> }  
x Sarah Goodwin <sup>dead</sup> }  
Mary Everitt, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1812.

Naomi Beard }  
Eliz. Rudol } Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1813.

Eliz. Baron, }  
Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1813.



Brethren

Stephen Woodfield, April 2, 1814.

Wm Day  
James Clark } Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1814.

Thomas Wren, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1815.

Wm Clark, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1816.

Thomas Willson, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1818.

James Goodchild  
Joseph Woodfield  
Kenon Shodwell  
John Williams  
Richard Davis } April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1819  
dead.

Sisters

X Sarah Osborn, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1814. dead

Mary Wilston  
Jane Rudd } Dec<sup>r</sup>. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1814.  
X Sarah Smith } dead

Mary Goodwin } March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1816.  
X Mary Crawley } dead.

Martha Foster, <sup>now Crowley</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1816.

Eglantine Lewington July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1818.

Eliz. Foster  
Susan Wilston } June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1819.

Mary Wilshere } Sep<sup>r</sup>. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1819.  
X Martha Wilshere } dead.

Heziah Bannister } June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1821.  
Deborah Valentine }

Martha ... } 1826

Handwritten letter, upside down, dated "Newington 28<sup>th</sup> 1811". The text discusses the spiritual state of the writer and their brethren, mentioning "the prospect of more favorable opportunities" and "the prospect of more favorable opportunities, if for the sake of prosperity, when which I was disposed to remark, but there are many points intimately connected with us". The letter concludes with "Beloved brethren, I did not give you but you. Give support, I must therefore look to you for those communications of course things, which are essential to substantiate your a numerous & an increased family dependant on me".