

METHODIST CHURCH IN IRELAND

Ballynafeigh, Knockbreda, Belvoir Circuit

BELVOIR METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF SERVICE
FOR THE
STONE-LAYING CEREMONY
OF
CHURCH EXTENSION

by

Rev T. Stanley Whittington - President 1988/89

SATURDAY 4th FEBRUARY 1989

at 3p.m.

Welcome and Introduction:

Rev Derek Russell

Praise No.1 (Methodist Hymn Book No.1)

O for a thousand tongues to sing He speaks, and listening to His voice,
My great Redeemer's praise, New life the dead receive,
The glories of my God and King The mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
The triumphs of His grace! The humble poor believe

My gracious Master and my God, He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
Assist me to proclaim, He sets the prisoner free;
To spread through all the earth His blood can make the foulest clean,
The honours of Thy name. ^{abroad,} His blood availed for me.

Jesus! the name that charms our See all your sins on Jesus laid;
That bids our sorrows cease; ^{tears,} The Lamb of God was slain,
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, His soul was once an offering made
'Tis life, and health, and peace. For every soul of man.

Prayer and Lord's Prayer:

Rev Alan Meara
(Circuit Superintendent)

Scripture:

Rev Derek Ritchie
(District Chairman)

Praise No.2 (Methodist Hymn Book No. 745)

All praise to our redeeming Lord, Even now we think and speak the same
Who joins us by His grace, And cordially agree;
And bids us, each to each restored, Concentred all, through Jesu's name,
Together seek His face. In perfect harmony.

He bids us build each other up; We all partake the joy of one,
And, gathered into one, The common peace we feel,
To our high calling's glorious hope A peace to sensual minds unknown,
We hand in hand go on. A joy unspeakable.

The gift which He on one bestows, And if our fellowship below
We all delight to prove; In Jesus be so sweet,
The grace through every vessel What heights of rapture shall we know
In purest streams of love. ^{flows,} When round His throne we meet.

ADDRESS:

Rev T. Stanley Whittington

Offering and dedication:

Prayer:

Rev David Cooper

Praise No.3 (Methodist Hymn Book No 390)

Give me the faith which can remove	My talents, gifts, and graces, Lord
And sink the mountain to a plain,	Into Thy blessed hands receive;
Give me the child-like praying love,	And let me live to preach Thy Word,
Which longs to build Thy house again;	And let me to Thy glory live;
Thy love, let it my heart o'erpower	My every sacred moment spend
And all my simple soul devour.	In publishing the sinners' Friend.
I would the precious time redeem,	Enlarge, inflame, and fill my heart
And longer live for this alone,	With boundless charity divine:
To spend, and to be spent, for them	So shall I all my strength exert,
Who have not yet my Saviour known;	And love them with a zeal like
And only breathe, to breathe Thy	Thine;
love.	And lead them to Thy open side,
	The sheep for whom the Shepherd
	died.

The congregation, led by the platform party will proceed to the Church Extension site for the Stone-Laying.

Prayer:

Rev Derek Russell

Scripture:

Rev David Kerr

THE STONE-LAYING:

Rev T. Stanley Whittington will proceed to lay the stone.

Prayer of Dedication: Rev T. Stanley Whittington

Praise No.4 (Methodist Hymn Book No. 313)

To God be the glory! great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son;
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the Life gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord! praise the Lord! Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord! praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son:
And give Him the glory! great things He hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Benediction: ALL SHARING

'EXCEPT THE LORD BUILD THE HOUSE, THEY LABOUR IN VAIN THAT BUILD IT'

Psalm 127 V 1

Afternoon Tea provided in the hall of the Church of the Transfiguration