

METHODIST MINISTERS IN THE THAMES VALLEY CIRCUIT AND ITS PREDECESSORS

This checklist has been compiled from a variety of sources, the key ones being:

- Circuit Preaching Plans – held in the Circuit Archives in Berkshire Record Office (regrettably the list is far from complete)
- Joseph Hall’s “Circuits and their Ministers” – an alphabetical list of the circuits in Great Britain, with the names of the ministers stationed in each circuit ... from 1765 to 1912.
- W Leary’s “Primitive Methodist Ministers and Their Stations from the Commencement to 1932” – published 1971.
- Minutes of Conference.

While every endeavour has been made to ensure the accuracy of this list, if you are aware of any errors or omissions, please contact the circuit webmaster by email, with details of where documentary evidence can be found.

This list is split into the circuit sections as detailed in this site’s [Circuit History](#) page.

Codes used in this list

- * Superintendent Minister
- A Active minister residing in circuit (e.g. employed by District or Connexion, or appointed to a neighbouring circuit)
- B Minister for High Street Maidenhead (or its predecessors) with a biography on the [High Street website](#).
- D Deacon
- P Pastor
- S Supernumerary Minister (= retired ... at least in theory!)
- U Urdu speaking Minister
- > Continued into the re-organised / renamed circuit
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Notes on specific ministers are given at the end of each of the three major sections.

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Wesleyan Methodist Ministers prior to Union in 1932

Windsor Wesleyan Circuit (1815 – 1904)

Dates	Code / Notes	Name
1815 – 1817	* 1	Thomas Robinson
1816 – 1817	*	Thomas Moxham
1817 – 1818	*	Samuel Robinson
1817 – 1819	* 2	John Scott
1819 – 1820	*	George Dermont
1820 – 1822	*	John Smith
1822 – 1824	*	Richard Cooper
1824 – 1827	*	Alexander Strachan
1826 – 1827		Samuel Rowe
1827 – 1830	*	William Pollard
1827 – 1828		James Loutit
1828 – 1829		Walter Griffith Jnr
1829 – 1830		James Lemmon
1830 – 1831	*	Joseph Walker
1830 – 1831		John C Pengelly
1831 – 1832	*	Owen Rees
1831 – 1832		Edward Nye
1832 – 1834	*	John Stevens
1832 – 1834		Josiah Nunn
1832 – 1833	S	Adam Clerk
1834 – 1837	*	James Allen Jnr
1834 – 1835		John Williams
1835 – 1836		John Pearce
1836 – 1837		Samuel Lucas
1837 – 1840	*	George Jackson
1837 – 1838		Samuel R Hall
1838 – 1839		Hugh Jones
1839 – 1841		William Hudson
1840 – 1843	*	James Brownell
1841 – 1842		Samuel Wilkinson
1842 – 1843	S	Richard Treflary
1842 – 1844		Robert H Atherton
1843 – 1846	*	James Rosser
1844 – 1846		John Fletcher
1846 – 1850	* 3	John Nelson
1846 – 1847		Jabez B Waterhouse
1847 – 1850		John Hebb
1847 – 1849	S	Richard Cooper
1849 – 1851	*B 4	Samuel Young
1850 – 1852	*	William Box
1850 – 1851		Joshua Mottram
1851 – 1852		John E S Williams
1852 – 1855	*	Thomas Turner
1852 – 1853		James A Macdonald
1854 – 1855		Edwin Hurst
1855 – 1857	*	John D Carey
1855 – 1856		Edward Guest
1856 – 1857		Samuel Wray
1857 – 1860	*B 4	Samuel Young
1857 – 1859		George R Osbourne
1859 – 1860		Arthur B Holford
1860 – 1863	* B5	Thomas Jefferies
1860 – 1862		Edward Barber
1862 – 1864		George F Maughan
1863 – 1866	* 6	John Knowles
1864 – 1867	B	J Clapham Greaves
1864 – 1865		William Gluyas Pascoe
1865 – 1868		Newton R Penny
1866 – 1868	*	Peter Samuel
1867 – 1868	B	Henry M Radcliffe
1868 – 1871	*	Joseph Portrey
1868 – 1869	B	Alfred Henry Vine
1868 – 1870		Charles C Rorke
1869 – 1871	B 7	Samuel Turner House
1870 – 1872		Alfred Sargent
1871 – 1873	*	Charles Churchill

1871 – 1872	* B5	Thomas Bealey Jefferies	1885 – 1888	B	John Charles Trafford
1872 – 1873	B	William Reynolds	1886 – 1889	*	John Westlake
1873 – 1874	*	John Bell	1888 – 1891	B	John Bartley
1873 – 1875	B	William Martin	1889 – 1892	*	Rutland Spooner
1874 – 1877	*	George Penman	1891 – 1894	B	Thomas Jackson
1875 – 1877	B	Joseph Willis Britton	1892 – 1893	*	James D Tetley
1877 – 1880	*	Humphrey Hughes	1893 – 1896	*	Daniel Pearson
1877 – 1878	B	John Hayhurst Wilkinson	1894 – 1897	B	Harry Hopkinson
1875 – 1878		W Limmex	1896 – 1898	*	Jabez Iredale
1878 – 1879	B	William Sharpley	1897 – 1900	B	Arthur Hodson Male
1879 – 1882	B	William Thompson	1898 – 1901	*	James F Pyle
1880 – 1881	*	Henry L Church	1900 – 1903	B	James Arthur Aldington
1881 – 1883	*	John Weatherill	1901 – 1904	*	William Spiers
1882 – 1885	B	John Sleep Hicks	1903 – 1904	> B	William Thomas Gill
1883 – 1886	* 6	John Knowles			

Windsor and Maidenhead Wesleyan Circuit (1904 – 1932)

>1904 – 1906	* B	William T Gill	1922 – 1923	P	W Robinson
1904 – 1907		Arthur E Shapley	1922 – 1925		J Howard Weir
1904 – 1908		F Barber	1922 – 1924	P	T Mealing
1906 – 1909	* B	Stephen Burrow	1922 – 1925	S 9	William H F Blaby
1907 – 1910		Walter Seed	1923 – 1925	* B	Charles E Dove
1908 – 1911	S	J Spensley	1925 – 1928	* B	William H Gibbs
1909 – 1912	* B	George Heslop Pickering	1925 – 1928		T L B Westerdale
1910 – 1913		E Percy Blackburn	1928 – 1931	* B	William Howorth
1912 – 1915	* B	George Dobson Mason	1928 – 1929		E David Edwards
1913 – 1916		W Brook Hurst	1928		G Alexander James
1915 – 1919	* B	Arthur Markham	1929 – 1932	>	Harold M Yates
1916 – 1919		J Samuel Hollingworth	1929 – 1932	> S 9	William H F Blaby
1919 – 1922		T Harold Bailey	1929 – 1930		Cecil F Guy
1919 – 1922	* B	George William Olver	1930 – 1932		Cyril C Payne
1922 – 1924	* 8	F Russell Watson	1931 – 1932	> *	Thomas H Caddy

Notes re: Wesleyan Methodist Ministers prior to Union in 1932

- 1 Thomas Robinson Superintendent in 1815-16
- 2 John Scott Superintendent in 1818-19
- 3 John Nelson Supernumerary from 1849.
- 4 Samuel Young Twice in circuit, first in Windsor, second in Maidenhead.
- 5 Thomas Jefferies Thomas Jefferies and Thomas Bealey Jefferies are father and son.
- 6 John Knowles Different ministers with same name.
- 7 Samuel House Lived to be over 100.
- 8 Russell Watson Supernumerary from 1923.
- 9 William Blaby Twice in circuit.

Primitive Methodist Ministers prior to Union in 1932

Windsor Primitive Mission / Branch / Circuit (1837 – 1848)

1837 – 1838	Aaron Bell	1842 – 1844	Harry Green
1837 – 1842	William Whitfield	1842 – 1844	Robert Hill
1838 – 1842	George Grigg	1843 – 1844	Neheminh Broadway
1838 – 1842	John Guy	1843 – 1844	Isaac White
1839 – 1840	John Stroud	1844	Richard Hancock
1839 – 1841	James Warnes	1844 – 1845	Daniel Day
1839 – 1842	Isaac Hedges	1844 – 1846	Joseph Best
1840 – 1841	G Undell	1844 – 1847 B 1	Daniel Mossop
1840 – 1842	D Lewis	1846 – 1847	W Soames
1841 – 1844	Jonah Champion	1846 – 1848> B	Edmund Rawlings
1841 – 1844	Joseph Willamott	1847 – 1848>	Samuel Hipperson

Maidenhead Primitive Circuit (1848 – 1882)

>1848 – 1849	Samuel Hipperson	1864 – 1865	Stephen Pearce
>1848 – 1850	Edmund Rawlings	1865 – 1866 B	Elijah Jackson
1848 – 1849	William Wiltshire	1865 – 1866	C Robbins
1849 – 1850 B	William Brewer	1866 – 1868 B	Henry Roe
1850 – 1851 B	Charles Briggs	1868 – 1870 * B	James Hurd
1850 – 1851	I Humphries	1868 – 1871 B	Samuel Dobson
1850 – 1853 B	Charles Robbins	1869 – 1872 * B	Robert H Horrocks
1851 – 1853 B	William Williams	1871 – 1872 B	Josiah Turley
1853 – 1854 B	Samuel Wilshaw	1872 – 1873 B	Michael Laycock
1853 – 1855 B 1	Daniel Mossop	1872 – 1876 * B	George Smith
1855 – 1856 B	Robert W Monkman	1873 – 1876 B	Charles Spooner
1854 – 1856	Richard Killingray	1875 – 1876 B	James McKenney
1854 – 1855	E Bishop	1876 – 1877 B	Samuel Mincher
1856 – 1859 *B 2	John Fuller	1876 – 1878 * B	William Sidebottom
1856 – 1857 B	David Kent	1877 – 1878 B	Charles S Dunham
1859 – 1862 * B	Dennis Kendall	1878 – 1880 * B	John Strong
1861 – 1862 B	John H J Beckhurst	1878 – 1879	Thomas Brown
1862 – 1864 *	Thomas Fitten	1879 – 1881 B	William Alton
1862 – 1863 B	Leonard Mainprize	1880 – 1882> * B	George Doe
1864 – 1868 *B 2	John Fuller	1881 – 1882> B	Robert Taylor

Windsor Primitive Circuit (1848 – 1932)

>1882 – 1883 *	Robert Taylor	1891 – 1892 *	Hubert W Shirtcliffe
1883 – 1886 *	John Rackham	1892 – 1895 *	James W Haywood
1886 – 1888 *	Mark Trevethick	1895 – 1902 *	Thomas S Bateman
1888 – 1891 *	Timothy Archer	1902 – 1905 *	Thomas Saunders

1905 – 1908	*	John Leach	1917 – 1932	> S	G Ellis
1905 – 1907	S	John Beckhurst	1918 – 1921	*	Alfred Clarke
1908 – 1910	*	William J T Scruby	1921 – 1925	*	Thomas Collins
1910 – 1913	*	Alfred Warcup	1925 – 1928	*	William S Terry
1913 – 1915	*	George Kendall	1928 – 1932	> *	T Lloyd Page
1915 – 1929	* 3	Joseph Squires			

Maidenhead Primitive Circuit (1882 – 1932)

>1882 – 1885	* B	George Doe	1912 – 1915	* B	William Shaw
1885 – 1889	* B	James Lee	1915 – 1917	* B	George Ellis
1889 – 1892	* B	Robert Andrews	1917 – 1918	* B 4	George Stanyer
1889	S	Daniel Day	1918 – 1922	* B	Ralph H Gent
1892 – 1894	* B	John Guy	1922 – 1923	*	R W Johnson
1894 – 1897	* B	Alfred Ives	1923 – 1925	* B	D Dunn
1897 – 1900	* B	George C Normandale	1926	SB 4	George Stanyer
1900 – 1903	* B	Wiliam Martin	1926 – 1928	* B	William H Wright
1903 – 1906	* B	John H Packham	1928 – 1930	* B	William S Leach
1906 – 1907	* B	Joseph Jamieson	1930 – 1932	> * B	William G Spencer
1907 – 1912	* B	John C Wenn			

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| 1 Daniel Mossop | Two appointments, first in Windsor, second in Maidenhead. |
| 2 John Fuller | Twice in circuit, both times as Superintendent. |
| 3 Joseph Squires | Supernumerary from 1918. |
| 4 George Stanyer | Two entries, first as Superintendent, second as Supernumerary. |

Methodist Ministers following the Act of Union in 1932

Windsor Circuit (for Windsor, Maidenhead and Slough areas) 1932 – 1944

>1932 – 1935	* B Thomas H Caddy	1937 – 1939	P A E Gascoigne
>1932 – 1937	Reg Brighton	1937 – 1939	V Donald Siddons
>1932 – 1933	Harold M Yates	1937 – 1944>	Ernest W Harvey
>1932 – 1933	T Lloyd Page	1937 – 1944>	S Robert Parkinson
>1932 – 1937	William G Spencer	1937 – 1944>	S John Charlton
>1932 – 1938	S G Ellis	1938 – 1939	A Shipham Elliot
>1932 – 1939	S W H F Bleby	1939 – 1940	Tom Sykes
1933 – 1937	William E Passey	1939 – 1944>	* G Eric Mees
1933 – 1935	S T Proudlove	1939 – 1941	P J Stewart Choate
1934 – 1935	Matthew Pickard	1940 – 1944>	Joseph Bonsall
1935 – 1937	Leslie W Gray	1940 – 1944>	George Tucker
1935 – 1937	H E Gridley	1941 – 1942	George Emmerson
1935 – 1939	* G Stuart Cann	1942 – 1944>	S Harry W Hart
1937 – 1938	George West	1943 – 1944>	P E Clifford Hind

Slough Mission Circuit (1944 – 1960)

1944 – 1947	* A Shipham Elliot	1949 – 1952	* Phillip Thompson
>1944 – 1945	S Robert Parkinson	1952 – 1957	* Francis D Marrat
1947 – 1949	* Arthur D Cummings	1957 – 1960>	* Francis V Burns

Windsor and Maidenhead Circuit (1944 – 1960)

>1944 – 1945	* G Eric Mees	1948 – 1953	* E Oliver Sutton
>1944 – 1949	S John Charlton	1950 – 1957	Francis V Burns
>1944 – 1945	S Harry W Hart	1951 – 1956	James H W Ingham
>1944 – 1946	George Tucker	1951 – 1953	P Albert Schofield
>1944 – 1946	P E Clifford Hind	1953 – 1958	* E Harold Hardy
>1944	S Joseph Bonsall	1953 – 1956	P Ernest G Rickers
1944 – 1948	T Francis Glasson	1956 – 1957	P H Mervyn Guy
1945 – 1949	S Arthur E Sharpley	1956 – 1960>	J Leslie Hall
1945 – 1948	* Edgar B Roebuck	1957 – 1960>	Raymond Lenton
1946 – 1950	Geoffrey W Collinson	1957 – 1960>	Fred G C Manuell
1946 – 1951	P William Miles	1958 – 1960>	* Ralph Kirby
1948 – 1951	Robert Clemitson	1960>	S Gordon E Moody

Slough Circuit (1960 – 1986)

>1960 – 1964	*	Francis V Burns	1971 – 1980	*	Leonard G Bridgeman
>1960 – 1964		Fred G C Manuell	1976 – 1982		Roger North
1962 – 1966		Frank Parkin	1980 – 1981	*	Colin G Rowe
1964 – 1971	*	A Howard Ford	1981 – 1986>	*	Peter N Hudson
1964 – 1969		James R Brown	1982 – 1986>		Patrick Harrower
1966 – 1970	S	Rowland L Cox	1985 – 1986>	S	Arthur Saunders
1969 – 1976		Andrew McNab			

Windsor and Maidenhead Circuit (1960 – 1986)

>1960 – 1966	*	Ralph Kirby	1975 – 1980		E Donald Mason
>1960 – 1963		J Leslie Hall	1976 – 1983	*	Leslie J Groves
>1960 – 1962		Raymond Lenton	1976 – 1977	S	R R D Smith
>1960 – 1978	S	Gordon E Moody	1976 – 1986>	S	William J Platt
1962 – 1969		T Roy Wareing	1977 – 1981	S A	Arthur Revell
1963 – 1968		Kenneth J Bate	1978 – 1981		T Denis Featherstone
1966 – 1986>	1	C Edward Heap	1980 – 1986>		Raymond G Rowland
1966 – 1968	S	Frederick A Pye	1982 – 1986>	A	Malcolm W White
1968 – 1975		Allan Creber	1983 – 1986>		Stephen J Toze
1969 – 1974		John H K Porter	1983 – 1986>	*	Peter Hudson
1974 – 1978		Raymond E Sargent			

Thames Valley Circuit (1986 –)

>1986 – 1990	*	Peter Hudson	1995 – 2003	U 5	Alwin Samuel
>1986 – 1988		Peter N Hudson	1996 – 2002		John Swarbrick
>1986 – 1988	2	Raymond G Rowland	1996 – 2013	6	John C Newton
>1986 – 1987		Patrick Harrower	1998 – 2003		Phil Fanning
>1986 – 1988		Stephen J Toze	1998 – 2016	S 7	David Smith
>1986	S	Arthur Saunders	1999 – 2004		Beatrice Quaye
>1986 – 1993	S	William J Platt	2000 – 2001		Arvella Palmer
>1986 – 2000	* 1	C Edward Heap	2001 – 2003		Nasief Kwar
>1986 –	A S3	Malcolm W White	2002 – 2009	*	Hazel Forecast
1987 – 1991		John L Lines	2002 – 2006		Jennifer Impey
1988 – 1995		Alfred S Baxter	2003 – 2005	7	David Smith
1988 – 1998		James A Booth	2003 – 2012		Emmanuel Jacob
1988 – 1993		Malcolm D Weatherby	2003 – 2005	U 8	Noble Samuel
1990 – 1996	*	David James	2004 – 2012		Barbara McIntivey
1991 – 1996		Derek N Stanworth	2005 – 2010		Ken Blake
1992 – 2000	S 2	Raymond G Rowland	2005 – 2010	A D	Maggie Blake
1992 – 2013	S	John H Roberts	2008 – 2014	A	Heather Noel-Smith
1993 – 1999		Michael Bossingham	2009 – 2010	*	Dave Tomlin
1993 – 1999		C Mary Austin	2009 – 2010		Alison Tomlin
1995 – 2002	* 4	Roger McAvoy	2010 – 2015	*	Andrew Baker

2010 – 2017		Gary Homewood	2015 – 2019	*	10 Mindy Bell
2012 –2020	*	9 Sonia Hicks	2017 – 2019	S	Julie Underwood
2012 –2020	A	Conrad Hicks	2019 –		Anne Ellis
2012 –2020	D	Andy Packer	2019 –		Carmel Ieraci
2012 –		Margaret Dudley	2020	*	Vicci Davidson
2014 – 2018	A	Graham Hindle			

List last updated in April 2019.

Notes re: Methodist Ministers after Union in 1932

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| 1 | C Edward Heap | Supernumerary from 1976. |
| 2 | Raymond Rowland | Two entries, first as minister, second as Supernumerary. |
| 3 | Dr Malcolm White | Supernumerary from 2012. |
| 4 | Roger McAvoy | Superintendent from 1996, his second year in circuit. |
| 5 | Alwin Samuel | Preaching plans list him initially as a visiting minister from Southall. |
| 6 | John C Newton | Supernumerary from 2000. |
| 7 | David Smith | 2 years (2003-5) as a member of the staff, otherwise Supernumerary. |
| 8 | Noble Samuel | Based in Southall. |
| 9 | Sonia Hicks | Superintendent from 2015, her fourth year in the circuit. |
| 10 | Mindy Bell | January – April 2019, time shared with the Birmingham Circuit. |