BECONTREE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH DAGENHAM

60TH ANNIVERSARY 1929-1989

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

13th MAY 1989 - 4:00pm

Chairman: Mr. Norman Andrews.

Speaker:- Rev. Norman Wright MA

PROGRAMME

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN: THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord:
She is His new creation
By water and the word:
From heaven He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
One Lord, one faith, one birth,
One holy name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the condemnation
Of peace for evermore;
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with Thee.

S.J. Stone, 1839-1900

PRAYER: REV. TONY NOLES

SECRETARY'S REMARKS: Mrs R. TOFT

CHORUSES: LED BY ALAN & MALCOLM

AS WE ARE GATHERED

As we are gathered, Jesus is here
One with each other, Jesus is here
Saved by the Spirit, washed by the Blood
Born of the body, the Church of God
As we are gathered, Jesus is here
One with each other, Jesus is here

MAJESTY

Majesty, worship His majesty,
Unto Jesus be glory honour and praise
Majesty, kingdom authority,
Flow from His throne, unto His own,
His anthem raise.
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.
Majesty, worship His majesty,
Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

FATHER WE LOVE YOU

Father we love you, we praise you and adore you.
Glorify your name in all the earth.
Glorify your name, Glorify your name,
Glorify your name in all the earth.

Spirit we love you, we praise you and adore you. Glorify your name in all the earth.
Glorify your name, Glorify your name,
Glorify your name in all the earth.

Jesus we love you, we praise you and adore you. Glorify your name in all the earth.
Glorify your name, Glorify your name,
Glorify your name in all the earth.

LET THERE BE LOVE

Let there be love shared among us,
Let there be love in our eyes.
May now your love sweep this nation,
Cause us O Lord, to arise.
Give us a fresh understanding,
Of brotherly love that is real.
Let there be love shared among us,
Let there be love. (Let there be love)

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS: MR. NORMAN ANDREWS

HYMN: LORD FOR THE YEARS

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided, Urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way, Sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided: Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that Word, the Word of life which fires us, Speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze, Teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us: Lord of the Word, receive your peoples praise.

Lord, for our land, in this our generation, Spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care: For young and old, for commonwealth and nation, Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world, where men disown and doubt you, Loveless in strength and comfortless in pain, Hungry and helpless, lost indeed without you. Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord, for ourselves; in living power remake us -Self on the cross and Christ upon the throne, Past put behind us, for the future take us: Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Timothy Dudley-Smith 1926-

READING: REV. TONY NOLES.

HYMN: I KNOW NOT WHY GOD'S WONDROUS GRACE.

I know not why God's wondrous grace To me has been made known; Nor why - unworthy as I am -He claimed me for His own

But "I know whom I have believed; and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I've committed unto Him against that day"

I know not how this saving faith To me He did impart; Or how believing in His word Wrought peace within my heart. I know not how the Spirit moves, Convincing men of sin; Revealing Jesus through the word Creating faith in Him.

I know not what of good or ill May be reserved for me -Of weary ways or golden days Before His face I see.

D.W. Whittle, 1840-1901

MESSAGE: REV. NORMAN WRIGHT

HYMN: THY HAND O GOD HAS GUIDED

Thy hand, O God, has guided
Thy flock from age to age;
The wondrous tale is written,
Full clear, on every page;
Our fathers owned Thy goodness,
And we their deeds record;
And both of this bear witness,
One Church, one faith, one Lord.

The heralds bought glad tidings
To greatest, as to least;
They bade men rise and hasten
To share the great King's feast;
And this was all their teaching,
In every deed and word,
To all alike proclaiming
One Church, one faith, one Lord.

Through many a day of darkness,
Through many a scene of strife,
The faithful few fought bravely
To guard the nation's life.
Their gospel of redemption,
Sin pardoned, man restored,
Was all in this enfolded,
One Church, one faith, one Lord.

Thy mercy will not fail us,
Nor leave Thy work undone;
With thy right hand to help us,
The victory shall be won;
And then, by men and angels,
Thy name shall be adored,
And this shall be their anthem,
One Church, one faith, one Lord.

E.H. Plumptre, 1821-91