

Bierton Strict And Particular Baptists

History of the Closure of the Chapel

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Introduction

Bierton is a small village in the county of Buckinghamshire and near Aylesbury, in the U.K.

A number of Christians formed a church called a Society of Particular Baptists, in 1831 whose articles of religion clearly show they were Calvinistic Protestant Dissenters. Their Articles of Religion and Indenture are recorded the Bierton Trust Deed, listed in this publication. There is a Wikipedia entry listing the chapel as a [None Conformist Place of Worship](#).

This account tells of the closure of the Bierton Strict and Particular Baptist Chapel, in December 2002, whilst David Clarke one of the remaining members of the Church was on mission work, preaching the gospel in the Philippines where he formed Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporation, with a view to the furtherance of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. This publication seeks to show that the Chapel Trust Deed was mistakenly registered by misappropriation to none elected trustees of the Bierton Church and this tells of the steps taken to rectify the matter so that the Bierton Church assets are used for the purposes for which the church was formed.

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I WITHDRAWAL FROM THE CHURCH

David Clarke with drew from the communion of the Bierton Church on 16th July 1984 along with Irene Mary Clarke due to the Churches failure to uphold and maintain the truths of particular redemption, which was contrary to the scriptures, their Articles of Religion.

The Church held to the tradition views of Church membership and so David Clarke and Irene Clarke remained Church member as the Church never terminate their membership according to their strict rule relating to membership. See Gospel Standard Articles of Religion relating to the severance of Church membership.

Gospel Standard Baptists

The Church was a Gospel Standard cause with strict rule relating to church membership and held to the traditional views of church membership, namely only the church can severed its members for membership in other words a member of the church cannot just leave. The Church did not sever the membership of David Clarke, or Irene Clarke upon their withdrawal as to they remained in membership

History of Church Membership

David Clarke Joins The Bierton Strict And Particular Baptists

I felt it right to leave the Pentecostal Holiness Church at Bierton where I had attended, since 1973 to joint the Church in 1976. This was because I had come to realise the importance of maintaining the truths of the gospel.

Gospel Standard Minister

A friend, who lived in Wendover, Mr Alan Benning, informed me that the Strict and Particular Baptist Church at Bierton, believed the doctrines of grace and that a Mr J. Hill, a Gospel Standard minister (of Luton Ebenezer Church) was engaged to preach on an anniversary service in the near future. I was keen to hear him preach. So I began to attend their week night prayer meeting.

The Bierton Strict and Particular Baptist Church was situated just across the Aylesbury Road in Bierton. It was then I felt I could no longer in conscience stay or continue at the Pentecostal church even though I had affection for all the people there when there was a company of people across the road at the Bierton Strict and Particular Baptist Church who maintained and taught the doctrines of grace.

The Pentecostal Holiness Church held to Arminian teaching and I had observed were often mislead by unsound views of being directed by the Lord. The Bierton Strict and Particular Baptists held to and professed the very gospel I had received. I leaned this from reading their articles of religion

and noted the songs they sang from their hymn book.

From that time I commenced to attend the church as a member of the congregation at this cause of truth.

Distinguishing Doctrines of Grace

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By this time I had educated my self by reading classical Christian literature and learned about the Reformation. Those books included John Bunyan's works, *The Bondage of The Will* by Martin Luther, John Calvin, *A Body of Doctrinal and Practical Divinity* by, John Gill, *The Kingdom of Heaven Taken By Prayer*, by William Huntington, the lives of John Warberton and John Kershaw.

My hopes had been raised by Mr Benning s understood that I would hear the truths about Gods free sovereign grace for it was reported that Mr. Hill was a Gospel Standard minister. I was given to believe I would hear those truths preached by William Huntington, William Gadsby and John Kershaw. I had read their autobiographies and found their writings very helpful during my time working for at C. J. Ward and Son where I spent time during my lunch hour reading and was encouraging by them as they gave all the praise and glory to Jesus Christ the Lord and not to man.

I started to go the Berton church just before Mr Hill preached that anniversary year on the Wednesday night prayer meeting, and sat at the back of the chapel. At that time I had no idea of the manor of service or church government nor of any other ministers engaged to preach on a Lords Day or week night services.

Denham's Hymns

The folk at Berton used Denham's collection of hymns called "The Saint's Melody" and the substances of these hymns were very pleasing to me. Even the singing pace was different to all the other churches I had attended being that much slower.

Miss Bertha Ellis would play the foot-peddled organ and the hymn book used was Denham's Collection called *The Saint's Melody*, published in the 19th century.

The hymn singing was about half the speed of the hymns sung at other churches and the words of the hymns were wonderful and glorifying to

God. The stile of meeting was generally Hymn, reading from the scripture (Authorized version King James), Hymn, Prayer, hymn, Sermon, hymn and then a closing prayer. A short while after I began to attend on a regular basis I was asked by Mr. King if I would engage in prayer when asked too. It was the custom for men to pray the women would keep silent.

I did engage in prayer and after the meeting Mr King asked me kindly to pray in future in reverent language and address God in terms of thee and thou rather than you and your because it could offend people. That was there custom.

I went away feeling offended thinking all kinds of thoughts. I was upset thinking what difference does the language make etc. but I bowed to their request and adopted their form of speech in order not to offend. I now find it difficult, to day, to break from that habit of using thee and thou. I.e. What Mr King called Reverent language when addressing God.

Date of Chapel



Bierton Baptist Chapel

Bierton Strict and Particular Baptist

Church was founded in 1831

I was convinced the Word of God was infallible and the only rule of conduct and religious practice. I believed the scripture taught us of a sovereign true and living God. That though God be one God, the only self existent being, one in essence and nature, there subsists in the divine essence three divine persons; The Father, Son and Holy Ghost. I believed that person were truly and properly God by nature and that from all eternity. I believed that the divine nature was not divided but one in essence and each divine person possessing the whole of the divine essence.

I believed the scripture taught the Lord Jesus Christ is that only begotten son of the Father full of grace and truth, the only saviour of (Gods elect) lost sinners. He being one person yet having two natures. Being God from

all eternity the divine Son of the Father and by nature truly God. Yet at the incarnation he took to himself that which he was not; our human nature and so was truly man. Hence the glorious complex person of Jesus Christ is the Christ that should come into the world to save sinners. I believed that His glory was veiled during his time of humiliation.

This Jesus Had Called Me

I believed this same Jesus had called me by his grace directly and made him self-known to me, outside of the circles of any Christian church. It was he whom I sought and believed in when I went and heard Mr. Hill preach at the Bierton Anniversary Service he preached the distinguishing doctrines of grace very clearly. At that time I did not know many preachers who preached these things except, I had heard I heard Dr. Ian Paisley, on a record and that sermon was called “Second Mile Religion”.

I had also heard Dr. Martin Lloyd Jones preach but he seemed not to emphasize the distinguishing doctrines of Grace, although it was evident that he believed in the sovereignty of God.

The churches I had attended, until this time, around Aylesbury and district appeared to only know of Arminian doctrine and held to a the false doctrine of universal love towards all mankind and a general atonement as distinct to particular redemption.

Not All Preaching Was Good

Not all the preaching at Bierton was good as we had a range of visiting ministers. Some times I would groan and suffer 45 minute of difficult things to listen too. Very few were Gospel Standard ministers and some were opposed to the Gospel Standard position, they often liked to refer to the 1689 confession, a confession that I soon realized was in error. The Scottish Free Presbyterian's Churches boasted of their 1646 confession as the best. Again I soon learned that this too was in error. Some of these preachers used notes whilst others did not. Not that that helped, as some I felt would have benefited from notes to preach. Some preachers would not use notes and speak as they felt lead too. But I realized that too was no guarantee they could be listened too.

Articles of Religion

I was made very welcome at the Bierton Church and was shown the original Trust Deed containing the article of religion for the church and an indenture stating and defining the church and how its Trustees were to be elected.

2 THE BIERTON TRUST DEED

Transcription of the Foundation Deed of The Bierton Chapel

Executed on the 25th February 1832 by William Bonham and others.

Notes on the Transcription. The three pages of the Deed are bound in reverse order along the lower edge.

(1) Where the correct reading of a word or proper name is in doubt this has been indicated by enclosing the word in square brackets with a question mark. Square brackets have also been used to comment on the text and indicate illegible marks.

Brown Cooper Monier-Williams Solicitors, of 71 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, WC2A 3JF, Solicitors, certify that, except where specifically indicated pursuant to note) above, this transcription is a true and accurate copy of the original.

((I -6t Date

[In the left hand margin on each page of the Indenture there is affixed a blue impressed stamp saying "ONE POUND" under a coat of arms. Beneath that is a round stamp with a crown in the middle reading around the edge "BUCKINGHAM 18.10.30".]

Indenture 1832

THIS INDENTURE made the 25th day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty two **BETWEEN WILLIAM BONHAM** late of Wilstone in the Parish of Tring in the County of Hertford and now of Bierton in the County of Bucks Bricklayer of the first part **JOSEPH ROSE** of Aylesbury in the said County of Bucks Gentleman a trustee for the said William Bonham of the second part **ROBERT DELL** of the same place Wine Merchant (in whom as surviving executor of the last Will and Testament of John Parker late of the same place Gentleman the hereditaments hereinafter particularly mentioned and described and intended to be hereby bargained and sold are now vested for the residue of a satisfied trust **term of one thousand years**) of the third part and **WILLIAM BELL** Farmer **THOMAS ELLIOTT** Butcher **THOMAS BONHAM** Bricklayer **JAMES BONHAM** Bricklayer

WILLIAM BONHAM the younger Tailor **WILLIAM DICKINS** Farmer **WILLIAM RODWELL** Labourer **DAVID PRICE** Labourer **JAMES JEFFREY** Labourer and **WILLIAM PARKER** Labourer all of Bierton aforesaid **JAMES HENRY MARSHALL** Bookseller **JOSEPH FREEMAN** Tile Maker **SAMUEL BROCKLEHURST** Gardener **JOHN GUNN** Grocer **AUGUSTUS LINUS** Grocer and **THOMAS REYNOLDS** Taylor all of Aylesbury aforesaid and **WILLIAM WOOLLHEAD** of Hardwick in the

said County of Bucks Gentleman of the fourth part WHEREAS the said parties hereto of the fourth part have contracted with the said William Bonham Bricklayer for the absolute purchase of the land and hereditaments hereinafter particularly mentioned and described and intended to be hereby bargained and sold in manner and for the purposes hereinafter in that behalf mentioned and the fee simple and inheritance thereof in possession free from encumbrances for the sum of one pound one shilling

NOW THEREFORE THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH

That in pursuance of the said recited contract and agreement and for and in consideration of the sum of one pound one shilling of lawful money of Great Britain to the said William Bonham Bricklayer in hand well and truly paid by the said several above named parties hereto of the fourth part at or before the sealing and delivering of the these presents the payment and receipt whereof the said William Bonham Bricklayer doth hereby acknowledge and thereof and therefrom and of and from every part thereof doth hereby acquit release and discharge them the said several parties hereto of the fourth part and each of them there and each of their heirs cestuique trust executors administrators and assigns for ever

AND ALSO

In consideration of the sum of five shillings of like lawful money to the said Joseph Rose and Robert Dell in hand also paid by the said parties hereto of the fourth part at or before the execution hereof the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged they the said Joseph Rose and Robert Dell according to their respective estates and interest in the premises and at the request and by the direction of the said William Bonham Bricklayer testified as aforesaid
HAVE

And each of them

HATH

Bargained and sold and by these presents DO and each of them DOTH bargain and sell and the said William Bonham Bricklayer HATH granted bargained sold aliened released and confirmed and by this present deed indented sealed and delivered in the presence of two credible witnesses and intended to be forthwith inrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery
DOTH

Grant bargain sell alien release and confirm unto the said William Bell Thomas Elliott Thomas Bonham James Bonham William Bonham the younger William Dickins William Rodwell David Price James Jeffrey William Parker James Henry Marshall Joseph Freeman Samuel Brocklehurst John Gunn Augustus Linus Thomas Reynolds and William Woollhead parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns

Parcel of Land

ALL that plot or piece of **land parcel** of a pightle orchard or house close of in-closed Ground lately pasture ground situate in the Parish of Berton aforesaid in the said County of Bucks adjoining or belonging to a messuage or tenement formerly divided in to and used as two cottages or tenements heretofore in the several tenures or occupations of Thomas Cripps and William Parker afterwards of William Bowden and Barnard Rodwell since of Thomas [Impey?] or his undertenants or assigns since with some additions and alterations converted into and used as four tenements and in the several occupations of Barnard Rodwell John Godd Thomas Wiggins and Anne Capell and which with subsequent additions now consist of six tenements in the several tenures or occupations of George Rodding William Brandom Elizabeth Wallace Widow Sarah French Widow Thomas Collins and himself the said William Bonham Bricklayer and which plot or piece of land is bounded on the south side by the turnpike road leading through Berton aforesaid on the east and north by other parts of the said pightle orchard or close and on the west by the scites and ground belonging to other cottages or tenements built by the said William Bonham Bricklayer on other part of the said pightle orchard or close and contains in width at the south end thereof twenty seven feet or thereabouts and at the north end thereof twenty five feet or thereabouts and in length on the east side thereof sixty seven feet or thereabouts and on the west side thereof sixty eight feet or thereabouts as the same is now set out and divided from the remainder of the premises by a Brick wall and part of a foot path on each side thereof together with the fences on all sides of the said plot or piece of land and all ways waters watercourses hedges ditches trees walls fences mounds easements commodities and advantages emoluments hereditaments rights members and appurtenances whatsoever to the said land and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and various remainder and remainders yearly and other rents issues and profits thereof and every part thereof

AND ALSO

All the estate right title interest use trust inheritance possession benefit property possibility claim and demand whatsoever both at law and equity of them the said William Bonham Bricklayer Joseph Rose and Robert Dell and of each of them of into and out of the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be and every part thereof

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD

The said land hereditaments and all and singular other the premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be and every part thereof with the

appurtenances unto the said William Bell Thomas Elliott Thomas Bonham James Bonham William Bonham the younger William Dickins William Rodwell David Price James Jeffrey William Parker James Henry Marshall Joseph Freeman Samuel Brocklehurst John Gunn Augustus Linus Thomas Reynolds and William Woollhead parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns TO the use and behoof of them the said William Bell Thomas Elliott Thomas Bonham James Bonham William Bonham the younger William Dickins William Rodwell David Price James Jeffrey William Parker James Henry Marshall Joseph Freeman Samuel Brocklehurst John Gunn Augustus Linus Thomas Reynolds and William Woolhead parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns forever

UPON THE TRUSTS

Nevertheless and to and for the intents and purposes hereinafter expressed and declared that is to say upon trust to permit a Chapel or meeting house and other offices to be erected built and completed and from time to time repaired re-erected and re-built upon the said land and to permit the Chapel or meeting house thereon for the time being to be from time to time and at all times hereafter dedicated used and enjoyed as a place of Public Religious Worship by the Society or congregation of Protestant Dissenters called Particular Baptists and Independents who shall assemble thereat and maintain the doctrines commonly known as Calvinistic and by such other persons as shall thereafter be united, to the said Society and attend the worship of God at such Chapel or meeting House and for that purpose to permit to officiate in the said chapel or meeting house such person or persons of the denomination of Protestant Dissenters called Particular Baptists and Independents as the major part of the adult

MEMBERS

Of the said Society being Communicants therein shall at any church meeting duly assembled for that purpose from time to time elect to officiate as their Minister or Pastor therein according to the usual order and custom of societies of Protestant Dissenters of the Denomination aforesaid which person or persons so from time to time elected as Minister or Pastor of the said society shall continue such Minister or Pastor only so long as and no longer than the major part in number of the adult members of the said society being Communicants therein shall think fit and to permit any part of the offices or buildings on the said land to be used with and be appendant to the said Chapel or Meeting House as a vestry room or otherwise to be taken for the enlargement of the said chapel or meeting house as occasion may require AND UPON FURTHER TRUST

As to such or any part thereof and that the receipt or receipts which shall

from time to time or at any time or times be given by the trustee or trustees for the time being for such purchase, mortgage or other monies or any part thereof shall be a good valid and sufficient acquittance and discharge and good valid and sufficient acquittance's and discharges for the sum or sums of money which shall therein be acknowledged to have been received

PROVIDED ALSO

And it is hereby agreed and declared that when and so often during the continuance of the trusts hereby created as the number of the trustees shall by death or otherwise be reduced to five or less and so from time to time as often as there shall be not more than five trustees for the purposes aforesaid or oftener if the adult members of the said Society or congregation shall think it expedient so many other persons being Protestant Dissenters by profession shall be named and chosen to be Trustees of the said premises as shall make the number of 15 trustees at the least such Trustees to be from time to time nominated appointed or chosen by the adult members of the said society or the major part of them for that purpose duly assembled by Public Notice in their Church meeting and upon every such choice the continuing trustees or trustee for the time being or the heirs of the then last surviving Trustee shall by sufficient conveyances and assurances in the law convey and assure the said land Chapel or Meeting house and premises with the appurtenances to such new trustees so to be appointed as aforesaid so and in such manner as that the same may become legally and effectually vested in such new trustees only or in such new trustees and the continuing trustees or any of them as the case may require upon such or the like Trusts and to and for such or the like interests and purposes as are herein before declared and expressed concerning the same AND the said Robert Dell for himself his heirs executors and administrators and for his own acts only AND the said Joseph Rose for himself his heirs executors and administrators and for his own acts only so hereby severally covenant and declare with and to the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns that they the said Robert Dell and Joseph Rose have not nor have either of them at any time heretofore made done committed executed occasioned or knowingly suffered any act deed matter or thing whatsoever whereby or by reason or by means whereof the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be or any part thereof are is can shall or may be in any wise impeached charged affected or in cumbered in title estate interest or otherwise howsoever AND the said William Bonham Bricklayer for himself his heirs executors administrators and assigns doth hereby covenant promise and agree to and with the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns in manner following that is to say that (for and

notwithstanding any act deed matter or thing whatsoever by him the said William Bonham Bricklayer or any trustee for him made done committed executed occasioned or knowingly suffered to the contrary) he the said William Bonham Bricklayer either alone or together with the said Joseph Rose and Robert Dell now at the time of or immediately before the sealing and delivering of these presents is and stands or was and stood so seized of and in the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be as to have good right full power and lawful and absolute authority to grant bargain and sell the same AND every part thereof with the appurtenances unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns for ever in manner and upon the trusts aforesaid and according to the true intent and meaning of those presents AND ALSO that it shall and may be lawful for them the same parties their heirs and assigns from time to time and at all times for ever hereafter peaceably and quietly to enter into and upon and to have hold use occupy possess and enjoy the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be and to receive and take the rents issues and profits thereof and of every part thereof to and for their use and benefit as such Trustees as aforesaid without any let suit eviction ejection molestation hindrance or interruption whatsoever of from or by him the said William Bonham Bricklayer his heirs or assigns or of from by or through any other person or persons whomsoever having or legally or equitably claiming or who shall or may have or legally or equitably claim any estate right title or interest whatsoever of in to or out of the said land hereditaments and premises or any part thereof by from through under or in trust for him or them in any manner howsoever and that free and clear and freely and clearly and absolutely acquitted exonerated released and discharged or otherwise by the said William Bonham Bricklayer his heirs executors or administrators well and sufficiently saved defended kept harmless and indemnified of from and against all and all manner of former and other gifts grants estates titles troubles charges and encumbrances whatsoever at any time or times heretofore had made done committed executed occasioned or knowingly suffered by the said William Bonham Bricklayer or any other person or persons whomsoever by his act means or privily

AND FURTHER

That he the said William Bonham Bricklayer and his heirs and any other person having or legally or equitably claiming or who shall or may have or legally or equitably claim any estate, right, title or interest of in to or out of the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be or any part thereof by from through under or in trust

for him in any manner howsoever shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter upon every reasonable request and at the proper costs and charges in all things of them the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs or assigns make do acknowledged levy suffer and execute or cause and procure to be made done acknowledged levied suffered and executed all such further and other lawful and reasonable acts deeds devices conveyances and assurances in the law whatsoever for the better more perfectly and absolutely or satisfactorily granting releasing and conveying of the said land hereditaments and all and singular other the premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be with the appurtenances unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns for ever upon the trusts aforesaid as by the same parties their heirs or assigns or their counsel in the law shall be reasonably advised or devised and required

AND LASTLY

That for the making out showing **maintaining and defending the title** and interest of the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns in or to all or any part of the hereditaments hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be he the said William Bonham Bricklayer his heirs or assigns shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter (unless prevented by fire or other inevitable accident) upon every reasonable request and at the proper costs and charges of them the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs or assigns or any of them produce and show forth or cause or procure to be produced and shown forth to them or to their agent attorney or Solicitor or to such other person or persons as they shall direct desire or require or at any trial hearing or examination in any Court of law or equity or other judicature or upon the execution of any commission or otherwise in England as occasion shall require and permit to be perused examined inspected or given in evidence the several deeds evidences and writings specified in the schedule hereunder written and every or any of them and at the like request costs and charges make and deliver or cause to be made and delivered unto the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs or assigns attested or other copies or abstracts of or extracts from all and every or any of the same deeds evidences and writings and permit such copies abstracts or extracts to be examined and compared with the originals by any person or persons whom they or any of them may appoint.

IN WITNESS

Whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

THE SCHEDULE

To which the above written indenture refers

1802 October 30th, 1803 August 5th & 6th

Aylesbury aforesaid Gentleman therein further described of the third part Thomas Capp of Grafton in the Parish of Wing in the said County of Bucks Carpenter of the fourth part and John Parker of Aylesbury aforesaid Gentleman of the fifth part Indenture between the said Thomas Capp of the one part and Noah Gaddesdon of Aylesbury aforesaid Baker of the other part Indentures of Lease and Release between the said Thomas Capp of the one part and Thomas Woodman of Bierton aforesaid Baker of the other part 1773 October 28th Indenture between John Cripps of Bierton in the County of Bucks Yeoman (therein further described) of the one part and John Perkins of Aylesbury in the said County of Bucks Gentleman of the other part 1800 March 19th Indenture between Thomas Gripps of the Parish of Chopping Wickham in the said County of Bucks Labourer therein further described on the one part and Henry Stratford of Penn in the said County Baker of the other part 1802 June 11 & 12th Indentures of Lease and Release the Release between the said Thomas Cripps of the first part the said Henry Stratford of the second part Daniel Lathwell of 1813 October 21st & 22nd Indentures of Lease and Release the Release between the said Thomas Woodman of the one part and the said William Bonham Bricklayer and Joseph Rose of the other part 1813 October 23rd Indenture between the same William Bonham Bricklayer of the first part the said Joseph Rose of the second part Thomas Dell of Aylesbury aforesaid Gentleman and William [Rickford?] of the same place Banker therein further described of the third part and the said Thomas Woodman of the fourth part 1818 January 10th Indenture between the said Thomas Woodman of the one part and the said William Bonham Bricklayer and Joseph Rose of the other part

[Signed and Sealed] William Bonham Bricklayer, Joseph Rose, R Dell, William Bell, John Elliott, Thomas Bonham, James Bonham, W Bonham junr, William Dickens, William Bradnell, the mark of David Price, James Jeffery, William Parker, J H Marshall, Joseph Freeman, Samuel Brocklehurst, John Gunn, Augustus Linus, [Thomas Reynolds?] and William Woollhead.

[In margin of last page] taken and acknowledged by William Bonham Bricklayer the party hereto of the first part at Aylesbury in the County of Bucks this twenty eighth day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty two Before me James James a master [illegible?] in Chancery

[MEMORANDA ENDORSED] [Stamp Ten Shillings Impressed]

MEMORANDUM of the choice and appointment of new Trustees of the Particular Baptist Chapel situate adjoining main Road in the Parish of Bierton in the County of Buckingham at a meeting duly convened and held

for that purpose at the Particular Baptist Chapel aforesaid on the 13th day of December 1880 Thomas Todd Chairman

Names and description of all Trustees on the constitution or last appointment of Trustees made the 25th day of February 1832

William Bell Farmer Thomas Elliott Butcher Thomas Bonham Bricklayer James Bonham Bricklayer William Bonham the younger Tailor William Dickins Farmer William Rodwell Labourer David Price Labourer James Jeffrey Labourer and William Parker Labourer all of Bierton and James Henry Marshall Book seller Joseph Freeman Pilomaker Samuel Brocklehurst Gardener John Gunn Grocer Augustus Linus Grocer & Thomas Reynolds Tailor all of Aylesbury and William Woolhead of Hardwick Gentleman

Names and Descriptions of all the Trustees in whom the said Chapel and Premises now Become Legally Vested 1st Old Continuing Trustees Thomas Bonham Bricklayer and James Jeffrey Labourer both of Bierton. 2 New Trustees now chosen and appointed

[Fleet?] Bonham Bricklayer Thomas Todd Baker Thomas Bonham junior Bricklayer Thomas Norwood Butcher James King Coal dealer James Bonham Butcher Thomas Todd junior, Baker George Dickins Labourer Abel Dearing, Labourer and George King [superscript E — C] Bricklayer all of Bierton and Henry James Lester Coach builder Edwin North Aerated water manufacturer John Turner Chemist William Hoperoft Grocer Henry Gunn Miller and John Willison Gentleman all of Aylesbury and George Butcher of Tring Banker and John Roberts Stableman of Bierton Dated this 13th day of December 1880

[Signed] Thomas Todd Chairman of the said meeting Signed Sealed and Delivered by the said Thomas Todd as Chairman of the said Meeting at and in the presence of the said Meeting on the day and year aforesaid in the presence of

[Signed] James Bonham [Signed] Thomas Norwood

[Stamp Ten Shillings Impressed]

3 MEMORANDUM OF THE CHOICE OF TRUSTEES

Memorandum of the choice and appointment of new trustees of the **Particular Baptist Chapel** situate adjoining the Main Road in the Parish of Bierton in the County of Buckingham at a meeting duly convened by Public Notice on the 8th day of December 1929 and held for that purpose in the Chapel aforesaid on the 11th day of December 1929. [Signed] W. A. Chapman. Chairman.

Names and Descriptions of all Trustees on the last appointment of Trustees

made the 13th day of December 1880- Thomas Bonham of Bierton aforesaid, Bricklayer James Jeffrey of Bierton aforesaid, Labourer [Fleet?] Bonham of Bierton aforesaid, Bricklayer Thomas Todd of Bierton aforesaid, Baker Names and Descriptions of all Trustees in whom the said Chapel and Premises now become legally vested:-

FIRST: Old continuing Trustees —

George Esau Chapman King formerly of Bierton and now of Aylesbury, Bricklayer Thomas Bonham the younger of Bierton aforesaid, Bricklayer Thomas Norwood of Bierton aforesaid, Butcher James King of Bierton aforesaid, Coal dealer James Bonham of Bierton aforesaid, Butcher Thomas Todd the younger of Bierton aforesaid, Baker George Dickins of Bierton aforesaid, Labourer Abel Dearing of Bierton aforesaid, Labourer George Esau Chapman King of Bierton aforesaid, Bricklayer Henry James Lester of Aylesbury, Bucks, Coach builder Edwin North of Aylesbury aforesaid, Aerated water manufacturer John Turner of Aylesbury aforesaid, Chemist William Hoperoft of Aylesbury aforesaid, Grocer Henry Gunn of Aylesbury aforesaid, Miller John Willison of Aylesbury aforesaid, Gentleman George Butcher of Tring, Herts, Banker John Roberts of Bierton aforesaid, Stableman John Roberts formerly of Bierton and now of Aylesbury, Stableman

SECOND: New Trustees now chosen and appointed —

Ernest Thorne, Batchelor of Lee Common, Bucks, Gentleman Alfred Henry Brooks of Fools Gray, Kent, Basket maker William Arthur Chapman of Aylesbury, Bucks, retired Accountant William Figg of Waddesdon, Bucks, House Decorator Bernard Fleet of Bierton, Bucks, Bricklayer Percy George Foster of Bierton, Bucks, Engineer's miller Percy Gurney of Bierton, Bucks, Bricklayer William James Holt of Wickham Marsh, Bucks, Chair maker Ellis King of Bierton, Bucks, Farmer Frederick George King of St Albans, Hefts, Schoolmaster Raymond Thomas King of Southall, Middlesex, Motor garage proprietor William John Markham of Bierton, Bucks, Builder Samuel David Pierce of Lee Common, Bucks, Fruit grower William Charles Plail of Tottenham, Middlesex, Baptist Minister Dated this 11th day of December 1929 [Signed] W A Chapman - Chairman of the said Meeting.

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the said William Arthur Chapman as Chairman of the said Meeting at and in the presence of the said Meeting on the day and year aforesaid in the presence of Edith King , 4 Abbots Road, Aylesbury **Bertha Ellis, Pecks Farm**, Bierton Received on the day and year first within written by me the within named William Bonham (Bricklayer) of the within named parties to the within written indenture of the fourth

part the sum of one pound and one shilling the consideration money within mentioned to be paid by them to me.

[Signed] Wm. Bonham

Witness, John Parrott Thomas Riche of Sands, High Wycombe, Bucks, Cabinet maker Alfred James Rutland of [Hulcott], Bucks, Gardener William Stacey of Chathidge, Bucks, Wooden ware worker Horace Stannard of Wandsworth, London, Grocer Jessie Starmard of Southall, Middlesex, Draper Sidney White of Bierton, Bucks, Accountant's clerk John Parrott junr

Signed, Sealed and Delivered by the within named William Bonham (Bricklayer) Joseph Rose Robert Dell William Bell William Bonham the younger William Rodwell David Price James Jeffrey James Henry Marshall Joseph Freeman Samuel Brocklehurst and John Gunn in the presence of John Parrott Aylesbury John Parrott junr Clerk to Mr Rose

Signed, sealed and delivered by the within named Thomas Bonham and James Bonham

in the presence of John Parrott junr

(2?) 30th July [illegible?] dated 25th February 1832

Mr William Bonham To Trustees for Bierton Chapel

10/ Aylesbury [faint pencil]

BARGAIN and SALE inrolled of land at Bierton, Bucks for Chapel for Particular Baptists

Inrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery the 30th day of July in the year of our Lord 1832 being first duly stampd according to the tenor of the statutes made for that purpose

B.P.E. — [Signed] [D. Dunny?]

Society Of Strict And Particular Baptist Articles Of Religion

Founded in 1831

Indenture

And whereas certain persons meet together, and with the blessing of God, will continue to meet together, for the purpose of divine worship, at a chapel or place of worship adjoining the said hereditaments and called the Bierton Baptist Chapel and the said persons call them selves "**The Society of Particular Baptists**" and such persons are herein after meant and referred to by the expression of "The Church" and the said persons believe and pledge themselves to the promulgation and support of the tenets or articles of faith

herein after set forth, that is to say,

1. They believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are given by inspiration of God and are the only rule of faith and practice and that these scriptures reveal the one true and only God who is self-existent, infinite and eternal. That there are three self-existent co-eternal persons in the Godhead namely the Father the Son and the Holy Ghost and these three are one God and that the Lord Jesus Christ is very God and very man in one glorious complex person.
2. That Before the world began God did elect a certain number of the human race unto everlasting life and salvation whom He did predestine to the adoption of Children by Jesus Christ of his own free grace and according to the good pleasure of His will.
3. That God created Adam upright and all his posterity fell in him, he being the federal head and representative of all mankind.
4. That the Lord Jesus Christ in the fullness of time became incarnate and that he really suffered and died as the substitute for the elect of God only and in their stead whereby he made all the satisfaction for their sins which the law and justice of God could require as well as made a way for the bestowments of all those blessings which are needful for them for time and eternity.

Particular Redemption

5. That the eternal redemption which Christ hath obtained by the shedding of his blood is special and particular that it is only and intentionally designed for the elect of God who only can share its spiritual blessings.
6. That the justification of Gods elect is only by the righteousness of Christ imputed to them and received by faith without consideration of any works of righteousness done by them and that the full and free pardon of all there sins and transgressions is only through the full free pardon of all their sins and transgressions is only through the blood of Christ according to the riches of Gods grace.
7. That regeneration, conversion, sanctification and faith are the work of the Almighty efficacious and invincible grace of God the Holy Ghost.
8. That all those chosen by the Father, redeemed by the Son and sanctified by the Spirit shall certainly and finally persevere unto eternal life.
9. That there is a resurrection of the dead both of the just and the unjust and that Christ will come a second time to judge the quick and the dead when he will consign the wicked to everlasting punishment and introduce His own people into his kingdom and Glory where they shall be for ever with Him.

Custom and Practice

That baptism of believers by immersion and the Lords Supper are ordinances

of Christ to be continued until His coming again and that the former is absolutely requisite to the latter, that is to say that only those are to be admitted as members of the church and participate in its privileges including the ordinance of the Lords supper who upon profession of their faith have been baptised namely immersed in water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. And that no person who has not been baptised as afore said shall on any account be permitted to sit down or commune at the “Lords table” within the said school room and whereas for the purpose of giving effect to the objects and intentions of the parties hereto and of the said church it has been agreed that the said hereditaments shall be conveyed to the trustees upon the trust and for the purpose hereinafter contained and these present have been approved by the members of the said Church meeting called for that purpose and held at the said chapel on or before the date hereof.

The indenture further witnesses that in further pursuance and consideration of the premises they the Trustees do hereby severally covenant and agree amongst themselves and with each other and with the church that they the trustees their successors and assigns shall and henceforth stand and be possessed of the hereditment And premises herein before conveyed unto them upon trust to dedicate and devote and preserve the same for the purpose of holy and divine according to the tenets or articles of faith herein set forth.

That the election of any future pastor of the said church and the removal of any pastor shall be decided by the vote of two thirds of the church assembled at a regularly convened church meeting together with the object for which it is convened having been publicly announce for four successive Lords days. No member eligible to vote has to have been four times to the Lords table in six months unless prevented by illness etc.

No minister shall be elected to the pastoral office or continue therein but such as holds to the doctrines and communion aforesaid nor shall it be lawful for the said church to receive into fellowship any such persons as members but such as have been baptised that is by immersed in water upon confession of their faith in Christ and are able to give some satisfactory account of a work of grace having passed upon their souls in being called out of darkness into Gods marvellous light, nor shall it be lawful for the said church to admit to her communion (in which term is include the ordinance of the Lords supper) any person who has not been baptised by immersion in water on a profession of faith in the name of Jesus.

4 BIERTON A GOSPEL STANDARD

Cause 16th January 1981

The Bierton church became a Gospel Standard cause at a meeting in January 1981. A full account of this is recorded in *The Bierton Crisis*.

The meeting was held on the 16th of January 1981 and the minutes of that meeting record:

Joining the Gospel Standard as a listed Church

Vote was taken by ballot and was unanimous. Mr Hope kindly undertake the correspondences 'for joining.' I was not present at the meeting but was informed of the outcome.

A foot note to the minutes of the meeting mentions, 'Mr D Clarke to be written to informing him of the results of this meeting.'

Mr King proposed the motion to become a Gospel Standard cause.

Notification of Becoming a Gospel Standard Cause

Mrs Evered, the church secretary, wrote to me informed me of the church decision and the following is a transcript of that letter:

Dear David,

24th January 1981

Just a line to let you know the result of our church meeting held on the 16th inst. It was decided (taken by ballot) unanimously that we join the Gospel Standard cause, it was a wonderful meeting. I am sure led by the Holy Spirit. The chairman was Mr Hope, the minister from Reading, who kindly consented to deal with the correspondence. A new bible has been purchased for the pulpit. Repairs as was sanctioned at the last church meeting are still progressing. The church is praying for a Pastor after the Lords own heart. It is vital that we as members of the above cause are the same, one in heart. God loves to answer faithful prayer through His dear Son. Then there will you be helpful member to us a church, if your circumstances permit?

Trusting Irene and the children are well.

May the Lord richly bless you in your labour for daily bread and in labour for Him?

With Christian love

Gladys Evered, Hon Sec.

My Endorsement

It struck me as strange things for the whole church was now unanimous in their decision to become a Gospel Standard cause, after such a short time as Miss R Ellis and Mrs C Gurney had always said they wanted no such changes. But here I was informed otherwise.

The second thing which struck me was the fact that such a matter of serious importance was not treated at a specially convince meeting, or notice given to that effect, one month previously there to.

However I wrote to the church in response to Mrs Evered's letter and made a point of attending the church, at my earliest convenience, to enquire about these things. The following is a copy of my reply to the church:

Dear Mrs Evered

12th of February 1981

Thanks you for your letter dated 24th of January 1981 informing me of the outcome of the recent Church meeting. May I confirm my approval and desire to help the cause at Bierton even though my present circumstances are not helpful.

I believe the Gospel Standard causes are a means by which God is preserving His truth our relationship to the Law as believers, Particular Redemption and the declaration of the Gospel as opposed to offering the gospel.

All doctrine, which the majority of churches of our lady deny. I believe also a right understanding of these truths are the means of preserving a true godly fear and reverence in our worship of God.

Yours with Christian regards,

David Clarke.

A Call to Preach the Gospel

I believe that God puts the desire to preach and speak His Word into the hearts of them whom he calls. This desire was placed in my heart the day Jesus called me to hear him and believe in him. My desire to help others turn from the way that leads to hell and to Christ himself for salvation, was acknowledge by Jesus the night I got saved. His reply to me, when I asked what about the others, was all I could do was tell them. What better way than to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ to men.

I had spoken on a number of times at Bierton Church during the week night prayer meeting from the table not the pulpit. Gradually however I felt more and more uncomfortable when sitting in the pew just listening to sermons. Particularly when things were not very well expressed and some times serious errors were being spoken. It grieved me to listen to the ignorant talk off the religious whose eyes were blinded to the truth of God and who sought to bind burdens on peoples backs. This issue over the hat and lady visitor and a head covering which write about latter was an example. Not that I am against a head covering for a woman but what had happened to this lady visitor was wrong.

I Did Not Believe In Bible Colleges

When I first became a Christian I did not believe in Bible Colleges. Thinking I do not want men to teach me, I wanted God to teach me. From what little I had seen of vicars and so called trained men I felt Bible Colleges were of no use because these people are not even born again.

Teacher Training

So I dismissed the idea of Bible college for me, never the less I wanted to learn all about God and speak his word in clarity and truth. This desire turned me to read about the lives of men of God. I went from reading the Beano and Dandy comics and James Bond books to the Bible and then on to the writings of John Bunyan, Dr. John Gill, John Owen and Calvin in a matter of two or three years. It was when I met my wife to be that she encourage train me to be a teacher and that is why I attended the Technical Training College in Wolverhampton, to learn how to teach technical subjects.

An Ulterior Motive

My ulterior motive was to learn how to teach so that I could then teach the gospel. I took one year out from work and studied at Wolverhampton Polytechnic and finally graduated with a teaching Certificate in Education. This was awarded by Birmingham University, in 1978.

I believed that I could learn from secular professional teachers how to teach and then would then be able to take the substance of what God was showing me and then present it to men in a way they could understand. This was my desire.

I took my first teaching post at Luton College of Higher Education commencing teaching in 1978

Wolverhampton Teacher Training Group



David (bottom centre right) at Wolverhampton Polytechnic

It was during this time at Luton College and at Bierton Church that I felt it right to make known my desire to the church as I believe I was being called by God to preach the word of Jesus Christ.

The church asked Mr. Hill of Luton and minister of the Gospel and Mr. Hope of Reading, both Gospel Standard ministers invited me to share with them my calling.

Questioned about the Law of Moses

Mr Hill questioned my belief regarding the Law of Moses and both he and Mr Hope listened. I expressed my understanding of the believers relationship to the Law of Moses and concluded that the Law of Moses did not make the Lord Jesus righteous as he was always righteous. He had an essential righteousness independent of the Law. He did not have to fulfil the Law to become righteous. He always was righteous. Had he been judged according to the law he would have been declared righteous and so he was.

That imputed righteousness is the righteousness of God, given to all who believe, that Christ's Righteousness imputed justifies us, without our works according to the Law.

I had at that time read the articles of religion for the Gospel Standard on this issue and knew it was taught the Law of Moses was not the rule of life for the believer but rather the Law of Christ, the law of liberty. A more

comprehensive study I later realised is contained in James Stuart Russell's book ,The Parousia.

Mr Hill's Conclusion

Mr Hill concluded that my leading was right and Mr Hope agreed. It was then put to the church that I should preach and exercise any gift I had. This was duly done and people came from Albert Street Strict Baptists Church, Oxford and Eaton Bray Strict Baptist Churches, to hear me preach the word of God that week night meeting at Bierton.

Sent By The Church To Preach

It was agreed without question that I should preach, as the Lord opened up the way, and from that day in 1982, letters came from different churches asking me to preach at various Strict Baptist Chapels throughout the country. This was my call by the Lord and being sent by the church to preach the gospel, as the Lord open up the door for me to speak. This came with the blessing of the church believing that the gifts and callings of God are without repentance.

I Preach At Various Churches

In fact I was so overwhelmed with being asked to preach at so many places, I could have been preaching three times on a Sunday every week of the year and during the week on week night services. This was on top of my full time work, which involved teaching two nights a week at Luton College as well as continuing my studies with the Open University.

In a very short period of time I was engaged to preach at the following Strict Baptist Chapels throughout the country:

**5 DAVID CLARKE'S PREACHING ENGAGEMENT
OAKINGTON CAMBRIDGESHIRE**



Oakington Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

EATON BRAY BEDFORDSHIRE



Eaton Bray Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

HOPE CHAPEL, OXFORD



Hope Oxford Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

UFFINGTON BERKSHIRE



Uffington Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

GROVE CHAPEL OXFORDSHIRE



Grove Wantage Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

EVINGTON LEICESTERSHIRE



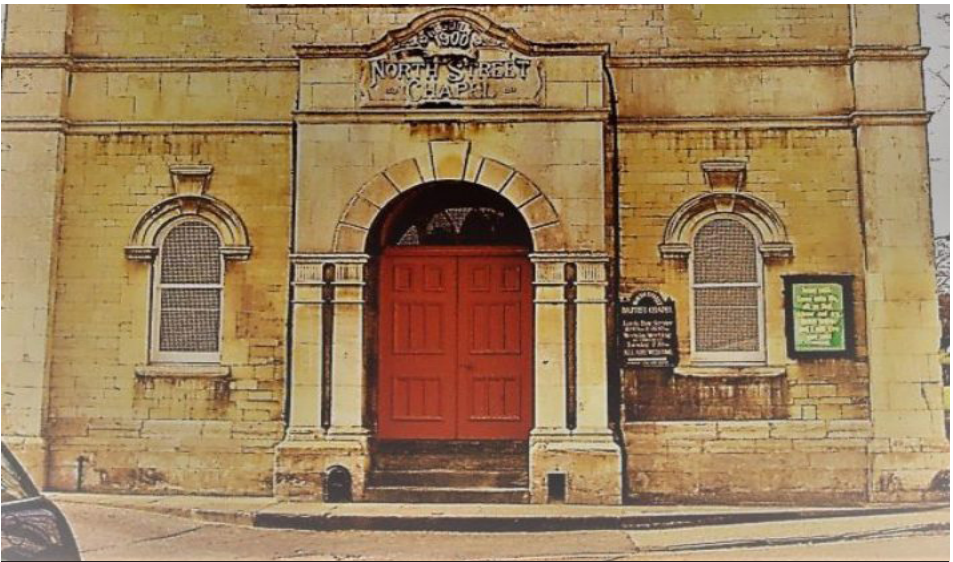
Evington Leicester Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

PROVIDENCE BEDFORD



Providence Chapel Bedford Strict and Particular Baptists

STAMFORD LINCOLNSHIRE



North Street Stamford Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

ZION LEICESTER

Zion Chapel Leicester Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

EBENEZER LUTON

Ebenezer Chapel Luton Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard



Zoar Chapel Reading Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

FENSTANTON HUNTINGDONSHIRE



Fenstanton Chapel Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

ATTELBOROUGH WARWICKSHIRE

Jirah Chapel Nuneaton Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

DAREFIELD STREET BRADFORD

Darefield Street (Old Building) Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

HOPE HORSHAM



Hope Chapel Horsham Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

HOPE NOTTINGHAM



Hope Nottingham (New Chapel) Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

The Deacon of the Church at Nottingham when they were in the old building

gave me a set of DR. John Gills Commentaries on the whole Bible, for which I was really thankful.

MATFIELD IN KENT



Matfield Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

EBENEZER OLD HILL



Ebenezer Old Hill, Cradley Heath, Black Heath

MINISTRY RECEIVED

Oakington

Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Eaton Bray

Strict and Particular Gospel Standard

Oxford

Hope Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Uffington

Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Grove

Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Evington

Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Stamford

Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Leicester

Zion Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Luton

Ebenezer Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Reading

Zoar Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Fenstanton

Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Attelborough

Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Beeches Road

Independent Baptists

Bradford

Strict and Particular Baptists

Nottingham

Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

Matfield

Strict and Particular Baptists Gospel Standard

6 TRUTH CAUSES A DIVISION (Luke 2 ⁵¹)

A difficulty arose in the church at Bierton and I was not sure how to deal with it. Our church had run a Sunday school for many years and each anniversary Mr King, one of our members and a sent minister from the church, would conduct the service. I was surprised to observe the Mr King had selected, for the second year running, two children's hymns for the children and

their unconverted parents to sing. The hymns were “**Jesus love me this I know, co’s the bible tells me so**” also “**There is a green hill far away**”. In his comment he stated that Jesus loved them each one. It was matter that cause me concern **for Mr King was a sent minister from the Bierton Church** who had become a Gospel Standard cause and he was teaching general redemption rather than particular redemption.

I made it my business to speak to Mr King about this matter but he did not think it important never the less I did and felt it only right to deal with the matter.

An Attempt To Resolve The Difficulty

On Wednesday, the 20th of April 1983, I preached a sermon, during our week evening meeting, at the our Bierton chapel. The text being, this is a faithful saying and these things I will that thou affirm constantly. That they, which have believed in God, might be careful to maintain good works’ (Titus 3⁸).

In my attempt to apply the truth of this text, bearing in mind the current needs and position of our church at Bierton, I gave examples, by way of direct application. I stated how we might be found to take heed to this exhortation if we restored a suitable children’s hymn book which did not contain hymns expressing general redemption & universal redeeming love to all children. I stated also it would be a good work to set our church in order even though some would not credit this to be a good work. That in this pursuit there may be things not acceptable to our natural carnal desires and us as individuals.

The Examples Given In Order

We had no ruling authority and needed a pastor or minister for teaching and ruling well.

We should teach truth in our Sunday school and not error such as ‘universal redeeming love’ for all children. I asserted it was wrong to teach the children or lead them to believe in general redemption and that a step to avoid this would be to restore a suitable hymn book, which was in accordance with our own Confession of Faith.

Effects Of This Address

During this address I observed the countenance of Mr King who shook his head from Side to side. This was at the point I said it was heresy to teach the children Jesus died for them each one. He said, at another time, he knew not by what spirit I spoke that evening.

Church Meeting Called For

Mrs. Gurney, after the meeting, asked when we could have a church meeting to discuss these matters. Our quarterly meeting was due to be held that April so we booked the 27th day of April at 2:30 pm. At this meeting Mr King was

the chairman and read from the 23rd Psalm.

Transcript from the minutes

At this meeting Mr King was the chairman and the minutes read as follows: The chairman made introductory comments regarding his position as chairman and that by the next church meeting he would have fulfilled that office for one year and that he wished the church to seek a chairman to succeed him. This was because he could not conduct church affairs whilst there were disagreements amongst the members.

Chairman Forbids Discussion

The chairman informed the church that our rules relating to matters of serious Importance could not be brought forward at any church meeting unless notice is given at A church meeting one-month previous thereto (according to rule 15 of the Gospel Standard rules). Therefore any matters arising from the sermon preached by Mr D. Clarke could not be raised or dealt with at that meeting.

Chairman Comments Upon The Sermon

The chairman stated that I had made serious charge against the Bierton church and that he wished the ‘ chair ‘ to be respected and honoured by this ruling authority

Chair Opposed

After general matters had been discussed and church business had finished Mr D. Clarke opposed the Chairman regarding the sermon preached explaining he wished the church to give their opinion as to their belief in respect of teaching the children and their unconverted Parents, at the Sunday school Good Friday meetings, general redemption in opposition to particular redemption. I said my charge of them teaching heresy was justifiable for Mr Arminian had said himself, at the Good Friday service both last year and this year, **Jesus had died for each one of the children.** Also they were teaching the children to sing Jesus had died for them and he loves them all.

Chairman’s disapproval (G.S. Ruling)

The chairman expressed his disapproval since he said this matter could not be raised since it was contrary to the rule 15 of the Gospel Standard rulebook. Also Mr D Clarke was out of order and must have permission of the church to discuss this matter.

Mr. D Clarke expressed his view that since it was a case of serious disorder and the Cause of truth would suffer prejudice if left for one month, **rule 15 allowed for his action.** Also that it would be wrong to leave for a whole month such a charge being unanswered. (P.S. Mr. Clarke Believed this delay was a tactic of Satan and so the Devil was resisted in the same way as

Cromwell deposed the King of England who maintained “the divine right of a King to rule in unrighteousness”.

Help Called For

I put to the church that they call independent witnesses, such as a minister of another Cause and one of the trustees. I suggested Mr. Hill of Luton, or Mr. Hope of Reading, but Miss G Ellis expressed a minister who was not so well known to them might be better. I suggested Mr. Ramsbottom, of Luton, and Miss B. Ellis suggested Mr. P. Janes, (Trustee) of Eaton Bray. This motion was put to the church seconded by Mrs. M Clarke and carried by vote, 5 to 2.

Chairman Re-Instated

Since I had assumed the office of chairman to deal with the above I then asked Mr King to close the meeting; with he did leading in prayer.

Post Script To The Church Minutes

There is a postscript to the above church minutes and they read as follows: During the debate Mr King asked the church if he could have an honourable dismissal to seek membership elsewhere and that in his view it was wrong for Mr D Clarke to join the church knowing these hymns were tough the children; therefore he ought not to seek such changes. The church gave no reply to Mr. King except Mr D Clarke who explained the church could not give him honourable dismissal but for a justifiable reason and that this issue could not be considered justifiable, but rather if he taught these views (of general redemption to children) the church could not license him to preach.

After the postscript a note explains the church could not recall the last paragraph of the postscript and would note adopt it as part of their minutes.

My Observations

At this meeting I saw something of sanctimonious religion wriggling like a snake; my conscience would not allow me to remain silent but rather stamp on the serpent.

Leaving The Meeting

Coming with grief from the chapel both my wife and I meet to our joy and delight Mr Hill, of Luton, He was standing on the corner of Bierton cross roads outside the Pentecostal Chapel. I had left the church some 10 years ago because of their Arminianism. Mr Hill had come by us from Luton and walked some two miles along Burcott Lane, having mistakenly come to preach at Bierton that evening. We believe he was sent of God to our aid and comfort for after we embarrassed him and poured our hearts out unto him he encouraged us by words of exhortation saying we should honour the Lord, for they that honour me I will honour (I Sam 2³⁰).

After tea Mr Hill and I attended the evening meeting and heard Mr Goode

preach the word of God.

This day was a sad day for it led to my cession from the church, in 1984.

7 BIERTON PARTICULAR BAPTISTS G.S. ARTICLES

Our Bierton Church became a Gospel Standard cause, on the **16th January 1981**. We had our own articles of religion written in 1831, which were **not inconsistent** with the Gospel Standard articles of religion; these were adopted by the Bierton Church along with the rules of membership. The date of Bierton Church becoming a Gospel Standard listed church was exactly 11 years, to the Day after, I had been called by the lord and was converted from crime to Christ, as told in my book, 'Bierton Strict And Particular Baptists'.

Our Articles of Religion (1831)

We believe in the divine inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, and receive them as a gracious revelation of the mind and will of God and we believe that therein are revealed all the doctrines and truths, which we here state.

1 We believe that there is but one living and true God; that there are Three Persons in the Godhead – the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost – and that these Three Persons are equal in nature, power and glory; and we believe that the Son and the Holy Ghost are as truly and as properly God as the Father.

2 We believe in the everlasting and unchangeable love of God; and that before the foundation of the world the Father did elect a certain number of the human race unto everlasting salvation, whom He did predestinate unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will; and we believe that in fulfilling this gracious design, He did make a covenant of grace and peace with the Son and with the Holy Ghost on behalf of those persons thus chosen³, and that in this covenant the Son was appointed a Saviour, and all spiritual blessings provided for the elect, and also that their persons, with all the grace and glory designed for them, were put into the hands of the Son as their Covenant Head, and made His care and charge.

3 We believe in the fall of our first parents, and that by it the whole of the human race became involved in, and guilty of, Original Sin; and that as they are born into the world, the whole of their posterity are, in consequence, actual transgressors against God. And we believe that by the fall all men were rendered both unable and unwilling spiritually to believe in, seek after, or love God until called and regenerated by the Holy Ghost.

4 We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, being set up from everlasting as the Mediator of the New Covenant, and having engaged to be the Surety of His people, did, in the fullness of time, really and

truly assume human nature, and not before, either in whole or in part. And we believe that, though He existed from all eternity as the eternal Son of God, the human soul of the Lord Jesus did not exist before it was created and formed in His body by Him who forms the soul of man within him, when that body was conceived, under the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the virgin Mary. And we believe that Christ's human nature consists of a true body and reasonable soul, both of which, together and at once, the Son of God assumed into union with His Divine Person, when made of a woman and not before; that this human nature was not sinful, peccable, or mortal, though capable of death by a voluntary act, but essentially and intrinsically pure and holy; and that in it He really suffered, bled and died, as the Substitute and Surety of His church and people, in their room and stead, and for no others; whereby, together with His holy, spotless life, He fulfilled the law, and satisfied all the claims of justice, as well as made a way for all those blessings which are needful for His people, both for time and eternity.

5 We believe that the eternal redemption which Christ has obtained by the shedding of His blood is special and particular¹; that is to say, that it was intentionally designed only for the Elect of God, the Sheep of Christ, who therefore alone share in the special and peculiar blessings thereof

6 We believe that the justification of God's Elect is only by the righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ imputed to them, without consideration of any works of righteousness, before or after calling, done by them, and that the full and free pardon of all their sins, past, present, and to come, is only through the blood of Christ, according to the riches of His grace.

We believe that the work of regeneration is not an act of man's free will and natural power, but that it springs from the operation of the mighty, efficacious and invincible grace of God.

7 We believe that all those who were chosen by the Father and redeemed by the Son, and no others, shall, at the appointed time, certainly be convinced in their hearts of sin by the Spirit, be brought in guilty before God, and made the recipients of eternal life, coming to Christ for salvation, and believing on Him as the Anointed of the Father, and the only Mediator between God and man; but that none can spiritually come to Christ unless drawn by the Father; and that all the elect shall be thus drawn to Christ, and shall finally persevere; so that not one of the elect shall perish, but all arrive safely in glory.

8 We believe that all men are by nature so completely dead in trespasses and sins that they cannot, while in that state, know or feel anything of God in Christ, spiritually, graciously, and savingly. And we believe that, when quickened into everlasting life in Christ (as the elect alone are, or can be, or

will be), the vessel of mercy then first feels spiritually the guilt of sin, and is taught to know, in his own experience, the fall and ruin of man. Thus every quickened child of God is brought, in God's own time and way, through the Spirit's teaching, from necessity to depend for salvation on Christ's blood and righteousness alone³. And we believe that this teaching will not lead him to licentiousness, but make him willing to walk in good works, to which he is ordained, and which are acceptable to God only through Jesus Christ

9 We believe that man can never do a good work, properly so called, until the grace of God is implanted in his heart, and that nothing is spiritually good but what God Himself is pleased to communicate to, and work in, the soul, both to will and to do of His good pleasure. And we also believe that man's works, good or bad, have not anything to do with his call, or being quickened, by the Holy Spirit.

10 We believe in the effectual calling of all the elect vessels of mercy out of the ruins of the Fall in God's appointed time, and that the work of regeneration, or new birth, is the sovereign work of God, and His work only, the sinner being as passive therein as in his first birth, and previously thereto dead in trespasses and sins¹. We believe in the application of the Law to the elect sinner's conscience by the Spirit of God, showing the sinner how greatly he has broken that Law, and feelingly condemning him for the same; and in the manifestation of mercy and pardon through Christ alone made known to the soul by God the Holy Ghost.

11 We believe that faith is the gift of God, as well as true spiritual repentance and hope, and a manifestation of pardon to the soul; that through faith Christ is made precious to the soul, and the soul drawn out in love to God; that all are the fruits and effects of the blessed Spirit, and that they will most certainly be productive of good works, and a walk and conversation becoming the Gospel.

12 We believe in the Resurrection of the body, both of the just and the unjust¹; that the just (the elect) shall be raised up in glory and honour, and be openly acknowledged and fully acquitted in the Judgment Day, before angels, devils and sinners, and made fully and eternally blest both in body and soul; and that the wicked shall be raised up to be condemned, body and soul, to the unspeakable torments of hell for ever and ever.

13 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ, to be continued till His Second Coming; and that the former is requisite to the latter; that is to say, that those only can scripturally sit down to the Lord's Supper who, upon their profession of faith, have been baptised, by immersion, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; and that, therefore, what is called "Mixed Communion" is unscriptural,

improper, and not to be allowed in the churches of Christ.

14 We believe that the Believer's Rule of conduct is the gospel, and not the law, commonly called the Moral Law, issued on Mount Sinai, which hath no glory in it by reason of the glory that excelleth, that is to say, the Gospel; the Gospel containing the sum and substance and glory of all the laws which God ever promulgated from His throne, and the Jews, because of the hardness of their hearts, being permitted some things which the Gospel forbids.

15 We deny and reject, as unscriptural and erroneous, the baptism of infants, whether by immersion, sprinkling, pouring, or any other mode.

16 We reject as blasphemous the doctrine of Baptismal Regeneration; that is, that the person baptized is or can be regenerated in, by or through baptism, much less, if possible, by infant sprinkling.

17 We believe in the sanctification of God's people, the term sanctification signifying a separation and setting apart by and for God. This, in the child of God, is three-fold: 1, by election by God the Father; 2, by redemption by God the Son; and 3, by the almighty regenerating operation of God the Holy Ghost³. We believe that the blessed Spirit is the Author of what is styled in Scripture the new creature, or creation, or new heart; being, in truth, an implantation of the Divine nature, through which the child of God would, according to the inner man, be holy as God is holy, and perfectly fulfil all the good pleasure of the Father's will; but groans being burdened, being constantly opposed by the contrary workings of the old man⁸. We reject the doctrine of progressive sanctification, or that a child of God experiences such a gradual weakening, subduing, or rectification of the old nature, called in Scripture the old man, or such a continued general improvement as shall make him at any time less dependent upon the communications of the Spirit and grace of Christ for all goodness, or less a poor, vile, wretched, helpless sinner in himself, and in his own estimation.

18 We believe that the grace of God produces a real change in a man, and teaches him to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live godly, and that there is a growth in grace, which consists principally in a growing experimental knowledge of a man's sinful self, the vanity of the creature, the glory of God, the spirituality of His law, and the want and worth of Jesus Christ. This is accompanied by a deepening distrust of everything but the grace and love of God in Christ for salvation, and is not a growth in conscious goodness, but in felt necessity and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

19 We reject the doctrine of perfection in the flesh, or that the believer ever becomes free from indwelling sin in this life, or whilst in the body. "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

20 We reject the doctrines that the children of God cannot backslide, and that God does not chastise His people for sin¹. For, though we believe that a child of God is called from a death in sin to a life of righteousness, and would, according to the law of his mind, or new nature, in all respects obey God's holy will as declared in the Scriptures, yet through the temptations of Satan, the allurements of the world, and the power and deceitfulness of indwelling sin, he may fall for a season like David, Peter, and other Bible saints did. But we believe that when the children of God thus sin against God, and transgress His holy revealed will, God does in various ways and degrees chastise them for it, not in vindictive anger, but in tender love, as a father does the son in whom he delighteth. We believe, too, that in this matter of chastisement for sin God will deal in a most sovereign way, and as a God of judgment; so that, though the punished child shall be made to discern the reason of the rod, it is seldom safe for others to judge according to the outward appearance. We further believe that no man living in habitual sin gives any proof that he is a child of God, and we cannot, therefore, have fellowship with him, be his profession what it may.

We believe, as expressed in Article 9, in the doctrine of the final perseverance of the saints, and that, however much the elect of God may be tried by sin, and opposed by Satan, they shall all eventually attain to everlasting glory. Not one of them shall perish, for none can pluck them out of the Father's hand.

21 We believe that the invitations of the Gospel, being spirit and life*, are intended only for those who have been made by the blessed Spirit to feel their lost state as sinners and their need of Christ as their Saviour, and to repent of and forsake their sins.

We deny that Christ died for all mankind.

Particular Redemption

22 We deny duty faith and duty repentance – these terms signifying that it is every man's duty to spiritually and savingly repent and believe. We deny also that there is any capability in man by nature to any spiritual good whatever. So that we reject the doctrine that men in a state of nature should be exhorted to believe in or turn to God.

23 We deny that the Holy Spirit ever enlightens the non-elect, to make them capable at all of receiving grace.

24 We reject the doctrine called "Baxterianism"; that is to say, that while all the elect shall assuredly be saved, there is a residuum of grace in Christ for the rest, or any of the rest, if they will only accept it.

25 While we believe that the Gospel is to be preached in or proclaimed to all

the world, as in Mark 16. 15, we deny offers of grace; that is to say, that the gospel is to be offered indiscriminately to all.

We believe that the glorified body of the Lord Jesus Christ is the same flesh and bones now in heaven as that which hung upon the cross.

26 We reject the doctrine of the annihilation of the wicked, and believe that all who die out of Christ shall be turned into hell, the fire of which shall never be quenched, the wicked there suffering for ever the torments of eternal fire.

27 We believe that it would be unsafe; from the brief records we have of the way in which the apostles, under the immediate direction of the Lord, addressed their hearers in certain special cases and circumstances, to derive absolute and universal rules for ministerial addresses in the present day under widely- different circumstances. And we further believe that an assumption that others have been inspired as the apostles were has led to the grossest errors amongst both Romanists and professed Protestants.

Note: When Articles 32-35 Were Added To The Original 31 Articles

Therefore, that for ministers in the present day to address unconverted persons, or indiscriminately all in a mixed congregation, calling upon them to savingly repent, believe, and receive Christ, or perform any other acts dependent upon the new creative power of the Holy Ghost, is, on the one hand, to imply creature power, and, on the other, to deny the doctrine of special redemption.

We believe that any such expressions as convey to the hearers the belief that they possess a certain power to flee to the Saviour, to close in with Christ, to receive Christ, while in an unregenerate state, so that unless they do thus close with Christ, etc., they shall perish, are untrue, and must, therefore, be rejected. And we further believe that we have no Scripture warrant to take the exhortations in the Old Testament intended for the Jews in national covenant with God, and apply them in a spiritual and saving sense to undegenerated men.

We believe that there are various degrees of faith, as little faith and great faith¹; that when a man is quickened by the blessed Spirit, he has faith given him to know and feel that he is a sinner against God, and that without a Saviour he must sink in black despair. And we further believe that such a man will be made to cry for mercy, to mourn over and on account of his sins, and, being made to feel that he has no righteousness of his own, to hunger and thirst after Christ's righteousness; being led on by the Spirit until, in the full assurance of faith, he has the Spirit's witness in his heart that his sins are for ever put away; but that the faith is the same in nature as is imparted in his first awakenings, though now grown to the full assurance thereof.

DECLARATION

(Especially for church members)

Now all and each of these doctrines and ordinances we can honestly say it is our desire to maintain and defend in one spirit and with one mind, striving together for the faith of the Gospel.

And we desire, by the grace of God, that our conversation, both in the world and in the church, may be such as becometh the gospel of Christ, and that we may live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present world.

And, as it regards each other in church communion, we desire to walk with each other in all humility and brotherly love; to watch over each other's conversation, to stir up one another to love and good works; not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, but, as we have opportunity, to worship God according to His revealed will; and, when the case requires, to warn and admonish one another according to God's Word.

Moreover, we desire to sympathise with each other in all conditions, both inward and outward, into which God, in His providence, may bring us; as also to bear with one another's weaknesses, failings, and infirmities; and particularly to pray for one another, and for all saints, and that the gospel and the ordinances thereof may be blessed to the edification and comfort of each other's souls, and for the gathering in of vessels of mercy unto Christ.

And for every blessing and favour, both temporal and spiritual, we, who are as deserving of hell as the vilest of the vile, desire to ascribe all the praise to the glory of the grace of a Triune God.

20 Church Rules

Admittance into Church Membership

1. Any person desiring to become a member of this church must first be interviewed by the pastor (if there be one) and deacons, who, if in their judgment the candidate is suitable for membership, shall duly bring the matter before the church. A copy of the church's Articles of Faith and Rules to be given to each candidate for their instruction.

2. At a regularly constituted church meeting (see rules 13- 15) the candidate (whether already a member of another church or not) shall make a verbal confession of faith, and declare what he or she believes God has done for his or her soul. If accepted by a vote of the majority of members' present and voting, signature in the church book to the Articles of Faith and Rules will be required. Thereafter, at the earliest convenient opportunity, the person shall, unless previously baptised by immersion, be so baptised in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; and be formally received into

church fellowship at the next observance of the Lord's Supper.

3. Any person who, having been baptised while only in a carnal profession of religion, has since been called by the Spirit of God to a knowledge of his or her lost condition by nature and practice, and to living faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, being desirous of uniting with this church, shall attend to the ordinance of believers' baptism, according to rule 2 (last clause), for "whatsoever is not of faith is sin" (Rom. 14. 23).

4. No minister shall be appointed as pastor until he has supplied at least months on probation, and unless there be in favour at least two-thirds (three-fifths) of the members present and voting at a church meeting duly convened for this particular purpose (see rules 13-15); nor shall any minister be invited to supply on probation without a like majority, also at a duly convened meeting.

5. If at any time where there is a pastor, the conduct of such pastor should be contrary to the precepts of the gospel, or if he should depart from the Articles of Faith or any one of them, or if his ministry should become unprofitable, a majority of the members present and voting at a properly convened church meeting (see rules 13-15) shall be competent to declare that he shall no longer be the pastor; and he shall be removed from the pastorate accordingly. And at such meeting the pastor shall not be present. Always presuming that adequate opportunity has been afforded the pastor to explain himself.

6. Any member of this church knowingly receiving the ordinance of the Lord's Supper with any church not of the same faith and order with ourselves, shall be reprov'd; and should the offence be repeated, be withdrawn from.

7. Any member knowing another to act disorderly, shall tell the offending brother or sister of his or her fault alone, in the spirit of meekness (Gal. 6. 1); and if not satisfied with the explanation, shall acquaint the pastor or deacons of the church with the matter; and if any member neglect to do so, and be found reporting it to others, such member shall be visited and reprov'd as acting contrary to Scripture rule.

8. Any member bringing, in any manner, an open reproach on the cause shall be suspended; and no member suspended for any reason shall again be admitted to the Lord's Supper and to the privileges of membership, until godly sorrow and repentance are manifest, and satisfactory acknowledgement is made to the church.

9. Any member relating to any other person, not a member, what has been said or done at any church meeting, shall be liable, according to the judgment of the pastor and deacons, to be brought before the church to be dealt with.

10. If any member repeatedly neglect to attend the preaching of the Word,

the Lord's Supper, and prayer meetings, unless from unavoidable causes known to the pastor and deacons and the church, a reason will be required for his or her absence; and if he or she shall be absent from the Lord's Supper upon more than three successive occasions, without being able to give the pastor or deacons who shall visit such member a satisfactory reason for such absence, they shall bring the matter before the church to be dealt with as it shall determine, whether for reproof, suspension, or withdrawal from the offending party.

11. Members having private differences between themselves shall not bring the same before the church before the rule laid down in Matt. 18. 15, 16, has been first attended to by the offended party; and in the event of satisfaction not being given, that the peace of the church may if possible be preserved, the offended party shall first inform the pastor or deacons (assembled); but if not satisfied with his, or their mediation or decision, the member shall bring the case before the church, by giving one month's notice in writing to the minister or deacons.

12. A church meeting, at which the pastor or a minister agreed by the church shall preside, shall be held every months, and oftener if required; and it is expected that all the members who are able will attend. No person shall be present at our church meetings but regular members of this church, except by special consent of the church. No member who may be under church censure shall be present at any church meeting.

13. All church meetings shall be audibly announced from the pulpit or desk when the people are regularly assembled for worship at least on the two Lord's Days immediately preceding the date of any such meeting.

14. The pastor or deacons shall have it in his or their power to call a church meeting whenever he or they consider it necessary; also he or they shall be required to do so when requested by not less than of the members, in any case considered urgent; but in every case proper notice (rule 13) shall be given; and any meeting held, whether called by pastor or deacons, or both, not according to such rule, shall be of none effect.

15. No motion of any serious importance (e.g., cases of discipline, application for membership, call to the ministry, appointment of pastor, etc.) shall be brought forward at any church meeting, unless notice thereof shall have been given at a church meeting held at least one month previous thereto; except in such a case as (in the judgment of the pastor and deacons) the cause of truth would suffer prejudice by delay.

16. All propositions, whether for church membership or otherwise, and all motions, shall be seconded before being put from the chair; and in the event of the voting being equally divided on any subject to be decided, the

chairman (president) shall be allowed a second (casting) vote. Any debate or difference that may arise shall be settled by the majority of the members present and voting.

17. When any question has been decided by the majority of the church, if any member shall attempt to set aside or oppose the same decision within six months afterwards, such member shall be accounted as acting disorderly and contrary to rule 16 of this church.

18. Female members may ask questions through a male member, or may, if asked by the chairman (president), answer any question put from the chair; otherwise they are not permitted to speak at church meetings. Should any female member persistently violate this rule, she shall be liable to suspension from the privileges of membership for months.

19. A statement of the finances of the cause shall be laid before the church every months, when the vote of satisfaction or otherwise shall be recorded.

20. The number of the deacons of the church shall not be less than two where practicable; no deacon shall at any time be appointed unless at least two-thirds (three-fifths) of the members present and voting at a church meeting held for the appointment of such deacon, be in favour of such appointment.

21. Members of churches of the same faith and order may commune with this church by giving notice (naming their own church) to the pastor or deacons of their desire to do so not later than before the commencement of the service immediately preceding the communion service; or where the communion service is held separately, not later than the close of the preceding service.

Severance Of Any Member From The Church

22. The severance of any member from this church may be only effected by the church itself acting under its duly appointed officers (pastor and deacons), at a properly convened church meeting (see rules 12-15), in the following instances: -

In respect of an orderly member for transfer to another church of the same faith and order, in which event an honourable dismissal should be granted; or,

By disciplinary action of withdrawal AS A LAST RESORT in the case of any disorderly member neglecting to hear either;

An offended member's private remonstrance; or, after that,

The additional exhortations of two or three other brethren; or still further,

(3) The admonition of the whole church, according to Matt.

18. 15-17.

23. Any member of the church considering that he has received the call of the Holy Spirit to the solemn work of the ministry of the Gospel, shall, before

engaging to preach anywhere, relate to the pastor (or deacons where there is no pastor) his exercises relating thereto; who, if in his (or their) judgment the matter is indeed of the Lord, shall name the same to the church assembled according to rule 13. In the event of any question or reason entertained by any member or members (on grounds relating to walk or character) why the case should not proceed, the same must be raised and considered at this preliminary meeting; and no examination of the credentials of the member's call shall be undertaken until such question or reason shall have been satisfactorily disposed of by the church. If then agreed by not less than four-fifths (two-thirds) of the members present and voting, the church shall assemble, a month later (according to rule 15), to hear from the member a relation of the matter, and (either then or at a subsequent meeting, as agreed) to hear also an exercise of his gift in preaching. If approved by four-fifths (two-thirds) of the members present and voting, the member shall be given the church's sanction to preach.

Any member-preaching contrary to or in neglect of this rule shall be dealt with as walking disorderly.

Should the member consider that his case has been prejudiced, or if through assumed prejudice the pastor or deacons do not bring it forward, the matter may be dealt with according to rule 11. But except for very serious defection in the church, it is believed that when such a matter is truly of the Lord no such course will be needful.

Notes:

(1) In some cases where the majority stated is not quite reached, that there may be no precipitate conclusion in so solemn a concern, it may be considered advisable for the church to hear the member preach on some further occasion or occasions, before coming to a final decision. This course should only be adopted when the church agrees by a majority of four-fifths (two-thirds) voting in favour.

(2) In cases of pastor less churches, it may be proper for the church to agree to invite the pastor of another church of the same faith and order to preside at the meetings relating to this important subject.

(3) Bearing in mind the solemn importance of such cases, and the serious responsibility assumed by the church in deciding the same, much earnest prayer is required that the great Head of the church would so dispose each member to act under the spirit of the fear of the Lord, and in the spirit of discernment, and of love to His truth and cause, that the voting may be regulated thereby with a single eye to His glory, according to the will of God. Note – The blanks in Rules 4, 12, 14, 18, 19 should be filled up, and the alternative majorities in rules 4, 20, 23, be defined, by each individual church.

8 LONDON CENTRAL COUNTY COURT

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London Central County Court Case:
 5PO 00770

David Clarke (Complainant)

Verses

The Association of Grace Baptist Churches LTD (Defendant)

Date: 6th September 2005

The Case

1 The Association of Grace Baptists LTD were not the Lawful Trustees as they had not been elected by the Bierton Church.

2 They did not qualify to be the trustees as they disagreed with Doctrinal stand Of The Bierton Church as Gospel Standard Cause.

3 They knew not the traditions of the Bierton Church

4 They wished to obtain the title deed of the chapel to sell it rather than put the chapel to use according to the trust deed.

Solemn Declaration Made To The Court

1 I, David Clarke, church member, and sent minister of the Bierton Strict and Particular Baptist Society, residing at, 11 Hayling Close, Fareham, Hampshire, PO14 3AE, do solemnly and sincerely declare, that this declaration is true, and that the enclosed Indenture, is a copy of the original document for the Bierton Chapel, date signed and witnessed 1832. My own hand took this transcript when I made a personal copy in the presence of Bertha Ellis, at 175 Aylesbury Road, Bierton. The term Church refers to the Society of Strict and Particular Baptists described in the enclosed Indenture.

Joining The Church 1976

2 In 1976 I requested to inspect the Articles of Religion of the Bierton Church, with a view to becoming a church member. I was presented with a set of religious tenets that were not the same as those in the original Bierton Articles of Religion, as set out in the Indenture 1832 enclosed below.

3 There were two articles or religion that I could not subscribe too in this spurious set of religious tenets. These sets of religious tenets were spurious

to the original articles, as we could find no record as to their adoption in the church minutes. I agreed to the articles of religion expressed in the Trust Deed date 1832.

4 After serious discussion with the Berton church chairman, it was agreed that I could be accepted as a church member of the Berton communion by subscribing to the original articles of religion dated 1832, witnessed and signed by John Warburton Jr. 1832. This took place at the church meeting on 8th January 1976. The chairman being Mr. James Hill, minister of the Gospel, Ebenezer a Gospel Standard Strict Baptist Church, Luton, this being 6 years since my call by grace on the 16th January 1970.

Church Trustees Elected

5 At the church meeting, on the 2nd July, 1976, the following men were chosen, in accordance to the expressed terms of our trust deed 1831, to be the new trustees: Mr. A. King (Berton), Mr. Hill, (Luton), Mr. T. Martin (Blunham), Mr. Baumber (Bedford), Mr. Heather (High Wycombe), Mr. Janes (Eaton Bray), Mr. F. Hill, Mr. D. White, Mr. P. Gurney and Mr. Foster. A total of 11 trustees.

Responsibility Of Trustees

The trustees are to ensure the church continues according to the terms and conditions and teaching of the articles of religion as set out in the indenture and trust deed of the Berton Church 1831.

6 On October 9th, 1979, Irene Clarke made application for church membership however the problem regarding which articles of religions to present to her for subscription too was unresolved. As a result her application for membership was withdrawn, as the church were unable to decide. This occurred at the meeting dated 9th January 1980. She was later accepted as a Church member upon her confession to the original Church articles of religion dated 1831.

Berton A Gospel Standard Cause

7 On the 16th January 1981 the Berton Church, unanimously agreed to seek association with the Gospel Standard group of Strict Baptists. This was the proposal of Mr. A. King. I was not present at the meeting but was informed by Mrs. Evered who was the Secretary. The Church subscribe to the Gospel Standard Articles of religion without a problem and we were accepted and enlisted as a Gospel Standard cause on 3rd April 1981. We adopted the rules of conduct for church order and practice.

Gospel Standard Rules Adopted Relating to Membership

8 These rules of conduct clearly supported the traditional view of our church that a member cannot resign. One is either an honourable or dishonourable member and an honourable transfer must be to a church of the same faith and order or by termination by the church itself. It cannot be effected by the member alone.

Bierton Did Not Accept the London 1689 Confession

9 The Bierton Church did not accept the articles of religions of the London Baptists 1689 confession, nor did they have associations with the Limes Avenue Grace Baptist Church, in Aylesbury. They were a distinctive Strict and Particular Baptist Society, historically associated, with the 1644 First London Confession, and would have been labelled historically, by opponents; namely Fullerite Baptists, such as the Grace Churches, as Gillite's or Huntingtonian's. The matters were fully recorded and outlined in, "The Bierton Crisis 1984".

Church Member (Mr Clarke) Sanctioned To Preach

10 In 1982, Mr. Hope (Reading) and Mr. Hill (Luton) made recommendations to the Church to support my call to the ministry. The Church duly sanctioned my call to preach, after a special meeting was set-aside for that purpose.

New Church Secretary (Mr Clarke)

11 I became the church Secretary and took note of all the previous church minutes and church records.

Controversy Over Strict Communion

12 In May 1983 a visiting minister (Mr Levy) came to preach at Bierton. He was from Dunstable baptist church expressed his concern that Bierton was now a Gospel Standard cause and he was not and he fully understood our position. Our rules were to restrict the communion to those of the same Faith and Order. When his pastor Mr Dix, from Dunstable discovered that he was not invited to partake of the communion he wrote a letter of objection stating his opposition the our principles as a Gospel Standard cause.

Dispute Over Particular Redemption

13 In April 1983, a controversy arose in the church, over Mr. King's doctrinal error, as he taught the Sunday school children **General Redemption**, by using hymns at their anniversary meeting, which were contradictory to our articles of religion and as a Gospel Standard Cause. Mr King a Trustee and member of the church.

14 In 1983, Mr. Jane, a member of the Gospel Standard church meeting at Eaton Bray (and one of our trustees, and Mr. Ramsbottom (Editor of the

Gospel Standard Magazine), supported my request for help and confirmed that the teaching of General Redemption by using hymns that expressed this was wrong. To do so, and for the church to allow Mr King to do so, was contrary too our Articles of Religion as set out in our trust deed and association with the Gospel Standard causes.

Church Member Withdraws (Mr King)

15 On the 15th June 1983 Mr. A. King left (resigned) the Bierton Church. See the whole controversy published in, **The Bierton Crisis 1984**.

Overseer Appointed

16 Due to lack of church discipline, and order, we asked Mr. Paul Crane, a visiting minister, to act as our overseer.

17 On the 18th February 1984 Mr. Paul Crane, of 25 Roughlands, Lakenheath, was appointed as the overseer of the church at Bierton.

No Disciplinary Action Against Church Member

18 The Church did not take any disciplinary steps against Mr. King, due to his withdrawal from the communion, as we hoped he would return and resolve the differences that had occurred. According to our rules he **remained in church membership**.

Resignation from Secretary (Mr Clarke) with Drew from Church

19 In July 1984, I resigned as Church Secretary, and seceded from membership of the Church over matters of conscience. I withdrew from the church communion and left the Church, to the care of God and in the charge of Mr. Crane. See, "The Bierton Crisis 1984", in which I write a full account of my actions. They were carried out in the name and fear of the Lord. According to our rules I remained in membership because the church did not terminate my membership.

Trustees Informed

The trustees were fully informed over these issues. No disciplinary action was taken against me, in the similar way to Mr. King, and I was informed that it was hoped 'I would return'. I left the matter to the Lord. I too remained a member of the church as no disciplinary action was taken against me to terminate my membership.

Church Members Die

20 Between the years 1984 and November 1995 the following Church members died: Mrs. G Evered, Mrs. Ruth Ellis, Mrs. C. Gurney, Miss Gwen Ellis, Mrs. G. Evered and Miss Bertha Ellis.

21 There is no record of Mr. King's return to the church, or any acknowledgment of his former doctrinal errors being retracted.

One of Our Trustees Withdrew For the Gospel Standard

22 The Church at Eaton Bray, of which Mr. Janes was a deacon, and also one of the Berton Chapel trustees, withdrew from the Gospel Standard Association, over doctrinal differences and they adopted the London Baptist 1689 confession that was at variance with to the Gospel Standard distinctive tenets of truth.

Called on Mission Work To The Philippines

23 In August 2001, I was called on mission work to the Philippines, in order to preach the gospel according, to my calling and sending, by the Berton Church, in 1982.

Communications With Mr. Jane Trustee, Our Overseer and Editor Gospel Standard

24 In December 2002, the Chapel held the last meeting as the anti penultimate church member died.

Mr King Resigns for Being a Trustee

25 During the year 2002, Mr. King, aged 81 years asked Mr. Jane and the other trustees to take over the running of the chapel.

Ministry Philippines Prospered

26 In December 2002 through to January 2003, as the result of my mission work to the Philippines, I baptised no less than 22 souls in Baguio City Jail, and 8 souls in Benguet City Jail which gave proof of my continued ministry as a sent preacher from the Berton church, in 1982. See document marked, Baptism Certificate.

Missionary Visa Awarded

27 In March 2003 I was awarded a permanent missionary visa to work throughout the whole of the Philippines, as a Particular Baptist minister, sent from the Berton Church in 1982.

Registered Trojan Horse International in March 2003

28 In March 2003, with the aid of a Particular Baptist minister, in Muntinlupa City, My brother Michael Clarke and I registered our ministry with the Security Exchange Commission (SEC), in the Philippines. I being the founding Director. Our registration name and number being Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated. CN 200306347.

No Communication From Our Trustee

29 In March 2003, I wrote to Mr Jane, one of our trustees at Berton, informing him of our mission work and connections with the Strict and Particular Baptists in the Philippines and requested his help.

Not Informed Of The Closure of the Chapel

30 Mr. Jane replied to my letter but he never informed me of the closure of the chapel and expressed, after consultation with his pastor Mr. Rimmes, he was not able to offer any help.

The Chapel Closed

31 In July 2003, on my return to the United Kingdom, I contacted Mr. Crane and was informed all the church members at Bierton had died. He informed me that the Bierton chapel had closed down and the Association of Grace Churches Limited offered it for sale.

Church Over seer Suggests I Reopen the Chapel

32 Mr. Crane suggested that I return and reopen the chapel as he still considered me a member of the church according to our church rules.

Association Of Grace Baptists Claim To Be The Trustees

33 In July 2003, I wrote to the Association of Grace Baptist Churches limited and was informed that they were the lawful trustees.

They Were Not Elected By The Church

34 I had no idea how these new trustees had been elected by the church according, to our rules of conduct, and so I requested that I re-open the chapel to continue the work already begun at Bierton.

Permission Refused to Access The Chapel

35 The Association of Grace Baptist Churches Limited, Mr. David Whitmarsh, being the Secretary, and David Coleman, the assistant, **refused to allow me** to use our chapel, but rather offered it to me for sale, at a price of £ 150,000. This was based on the assumption that planning permission had been granted for it to be converted to a two-occupation dwelling.

Opposition To Our Gospel Standard Position

36 Mr. David Coleman knew about the issues of the Bierton Church becoming a Gospel Standard cause, as he was a member of the Dunstable Church, in 1981 and his pastor was Mr. Kenneth Dix, who aggressively opposed the Bierton Chapel becoming a listed Gospel Standard Church. See The Bierton Crisis 1984. ISBN 0953947348 [Dunstable Baptist](#) Objects Page 58

Association Denied We Were A Gospel Standard Cause

37 The Association of Grace Churches limited denied we were a Gospel Standard Church or governed by its rules and so reject my claim to lawful church membership, despite my many representations.

Mission Work Continued In The Philippines

38 In April 2003, I returned to the Philippines and baptised Dolores A. Nava

and Alan Nielsen, upon confession of their faith in the person of our Lord Jesus Christ the Lord added to church such as should be saved.

39 I April 2003, our Ministry Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated was officially recognized by the Bureau of Correction, as an official work in New Bilibid Prison and Pst. Arnel Gonzales, a particular Baptist minister for Muntinlupa City was appointed as our Religious Volunteer (RVO).

Learning What Had Happened

40 In July 2004, I visited Mr. Jane at his home in Eddlesborough, and Mr. King at his home in Bierton. Mr. Janes informed me he was now 83 years old and Mr. King informed me he was 84 years old

41 Mr. Jane informed me that in the year 2002, Mr. King had asked him along with Mr. Baumber and Mr. Tim Martin, to take over the responsibility of the chapel as he was now too old and in-firmed, to carry on.

42 Mr. Jane informed me that he too was to old and it was also in practical for the other trustees to run the chapel so they resigned and approached the Association of Grace Churches to mänge its affairs.

43 Mr. Jane informed me that the Trust Deed of the Bierton Church had been discovered to be with the Solicitor of Miss Gwen Ellis, and these were give to the Association Secretary alone, with all the church records and financial accounts. The Association lodged a Memorandum of Choice of new Trustees with the Land registry dated 5th February 2003.

44 Despite my many representation, to the Association of Grace Baptist Churches, that we wished to use the chapel and that I was still a member, we were refused access. Also it is required that new trustees are elected by the Church. David Clarke and Irene Clarke were not consulted regarding the election of new trustees.

Association Seek To Sell The Chapel

45 In August 2004, a further application was made by the Association of Grace Baptist Churches Limited, to the Aylesbury District Council, to convert the chapel into a singe residential dwelling, and to convert the grave yard (10 church members, being buried there), into off road parking for the dwelling. The was on the pretext that the chapel was redundant to use and that the affluent Limes Avenue Church being a Grace Baptist church, could take care of any of the Bierton community who still wished to join or attend church.

Trustee of the Bierton Church Withdraws From Gospel Standard

46 On the 28th July 2004, I visited Mr. Jane (Trustee) who then informed that the Eaton Bray Church had withdrawn from their former position as a

Gospel Standard Churches and now subscribed to the **1989 confession of Faith**.

Objection to Bierton Being a Gospel Standard Cause

He expressed his objection to the Bierton Church being a Gospel Standard listed Church and did not wish to give any assistance to rectify the mistake made by the former trustees, and the current attempts of the **Association of Grace Baptist Churches LTD** from selling the chapel and the distribution of the funds raised from its sale. Mr. Jane informed me of the addresses of the Mr. Baumber and Mr. Martin. He also informed me that he felt it inconsiderate to involve Mr King in any connection relating to these matters, as he was old and seriously ill.

47 In the 29th July, Mr. King informed me that he did not wish to be involved with the Bierton issues, due to his ill health and advise from his doctor.

48 I visited the chapel in Bierton regularly during the period July 2003 and August 2004. During this time it fell into dereliction. The graveyard was not kept and the interior had been stripped of its furniture. I tended to the graveyard personally on the 26th August.

I Place A Caution with the Land Registry

47 In August 2004, it was decided to seek first registration of the Bierton Chapel in my sole name, I being the sole person in law, able to do so, apart from Mr. King and Irene Clarke (now Holloway) as it was unregistered land, and the deeds had been taken, by Mr. Whitmarsh, through miss appropriation.

I Request The Deeds Be Returned

48 In September 2004, I wrote to The Association of Grace Baptists Churches limited, with these my findings, and requested they return the Trust Deeds into the safe keeping of a Solicitor Battrick Clark, 155 White ladies Road, Clifton, Bristol, BS8 2RA.

I Inform The Former Trustees of My Intention

49 I have informed the former trustees, Mr. Jane, Mr. Martin and Baumber and all interested parties, of the mistake, which has taken place and my desire to take over the lawful responsibility of the chapel for its use according to the terms of our original Article of religion expressed in the enclosed Indenture, dated 1832. This communication includes the Charities Commission and submission of this sworn declaration to the Land Registry.

Former Trustees and Association Opposed to G.S. Position

50 It is believed that the opposition to the Bierton Church, and her association with the Gospel Standard Baptists, along with Mr. Kings declared doctrinal

and practical errors, and Mr. Jane's new allegiance to the 1689 confession, are the cause of the current animosity and refusal to return the Bierton Church trust deed are with held for its lawful owners. Also the fact that the proceeds of any sale of the chapel assets will go to those churches associated only with the Grace Association, namely Limes Avenue and Eaton Bray, and presumably other local churches as Eaton Bray and Albert Street Strict Baptist, Tring.

51 On the 3rd September 2004 I was informed by the Association of Grace Churches limited that the Charities Commission had made certain investigations and they were satisfied they were the lawful trustees.

53 On the 3rd September 2004 I was informed by Aylesbury Vale District Council that the Association of Grace Churches had permission to convert the chapel a single dwelling.

This application is an amendment to the first submission, to first registration of the Bierton Baptist Chapel, of date 29th July 2004. Submission number BM293716.

The property is clearly marked in the previously enclosed map and outlined in red.

And I make, this solemn declaration, conscientiously, believing the same to be true, by virtue of the Statuary Declarations Act 1835.

Signature of Declarant:

David Clarke

David Clarke

Declared at: 12 High Street, Fareham, Hampshire, and this day 3rd September 2004. Before me

Signature:

Address: 12 High Street, Fareham Hampshire, PO16 7BQ. Qualified Solicitor.

By David Clarke, September 3rd 2004.

Conclusion

At the case Management meeting I was asked what would I do if my claim

to membership was not accepted. I informed the judge that I would proceed no further and not proceed with my claim that the A.G.B.C. were not lawful trustees.

The A.G.B.C. brought notes from Mr K Dix the Strict Baptist Historian who had received the Church minutes on the Bierton Church closure, and alleged I was not a member of the church.

It was noted that they did not accept the Gospel Standard Rules as binding and It was denied I was a church member.

I then with drew my second charge of the A.G.B.C. being the unlawful trustees.

I agreed to withdraw my caution against first registration of the Bierton Chapel.

The A.G.B.C. were awarded costs amounting to £6000.

A.G.B.C. Ltd Registered the Bierton Title Deed **in their name on 24 September 2005** and then sold the chapel.

Opposition to Bierton Church as a Gospel Standard Cause

The former Trustees were all in opposition to the Bierton Church becoming a Gospel Standard cause or had lapsed into teaching general redemption. The Association of Grace Baptist Churches LTD were also opposed to the Bierton Church as she was a Gospel Standard cause. The Association took on the responsibility of the Bierton Chapel in order to sell it and distribute the money to none Gospel Standard causes.

Permission to Convert Chapel to a Domestic Dwelling

In September 2004 permission was granted, by Aylesbury Vale District Council, to the Association of Grace Baptists Churches to cover the Bierton Chapel into domestic dwelling

9 A RESOLUTION AND SUGGESTED WAY FORWARD

The case put by David Clarke and Irene Clarke (Holloway) is that upon the death of former members of the Bierton Church, in December 2002, and the inability of the remaining Trustees of the Bierton Chapel to continue their role, that David Clarke being the sole remaining active member of the church, and legally entitled to register the Chapel in his own name, as a Sole Trustee or elect new Trustees, according to the terms set out in the Trust Deed of The Bierton Chapel. All of which he was able to do so, being already the Chairman of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated with a Certified Registration of An Oversea Company in the UK. Company No. FC025516 in the United Kingdom.

The Proposition And Remedy

It is proposed that this complaint that made by David Clarke is registered with the Association of Grace Baptists Churches Ltd, stating that the Unregistered Title Deed of the Bierton Chapel was lodged with the land registry, for first registration, by misappropriation, as the Memorandum of the Choice of New Trustees dated 25th February 2003, is invalid. The Association were not elected as trustees by the Bierton Church.

That David Clarke and Irene Clarke (Now Holloway) are the lawful members of the Bierton Church.

It is proposed that Gordon Smith, Alistair Sutherland, David Clarke, William O. Poloc and Rebekah Clarke be appointed the lawful trustees of the Bierton Chapel or Alternatively Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated ([CLICK TO VIEW](#)) be the Lawful Trustees of the Bierton Chapel and that the Association of Grace Baptist Churches Ltd, makes good the mistake and transfer the funds from the sale of the Bierton Chapel to its lawful trustees.

10 BIERTON STRICT AND PARTICULAR BAPTIST

Society Articles of Religion

And Indenture 1832

And whereas certain persons meet together, and with the blessing of God, will continue to meet together, for the purpose of divine worship, at a chapel or place of worship adjoining the said hereditaments and called the Bierton Baptist Chapel and the said persons call them selves “The Society of Particular Baptists” and such persons are herein after meant and referred to by the expression of “The Church” and the said persons believe and pledge themselves to the promulgation and support of the tenets or articles of faith herein after set forth, that is to say,

1. They believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are given by inspiration of God and are the only rule of faith and practice and that these scriptures reveal the one true and only God who is self-existent, infinite and eternal. That there are three self existent co-eternal persons in the Godhead namely the Father the Son and the Holy Ghost and these three are one God and that the Lord Jesus Christ is very God and very man in one glorious complex person.

2. That Before the world began God did elect a certain number of the human race unto everlasting life and salvation whom He did predestine to the adoption of Children by Jesus Christ of his own free grace and according to the good pleasure of His will.

3. That God created Adam upright and all his posterity fell in him, he being the federal head and representative of all mankind.

4. That the Lord Jesus Christ in the fullness of time became incarnate and that he really suffered and died as the substitute for the elect of God only and in their stead whereby he made all the satisfaction for their sins which the law and justice of God could require as well as made a way for the bestowments of all those blessings which are needful for them for time and eternity.

5. That the eternal redemption which Christ hath obtained by the shedding of his blood is special and particular that it is only and intentionally designed for the elect of God who only can share its spiritual blessings.

6. That the justification of Gods elect is only by the righteousness of Christ imputed to them and received by faith without consideration of any works of righteousness done by them and that the full and free pardon of all there sins and transgressions is only through the full free pardon of all their sins and transgressions is only through the blood of Christ according to the riches of Gods grace.

7. That regeneration, conversion, sanctification and faith are the work of the

Almighty efficacious and invincible grace of God the Holy Ghost.

8. That all those chosen by the Father, redeemed by the Son and sanctified by the Spirit shall certainly and finally persevere unto eternal life.

9. That there is a resurrection of the dead both of the just and the unjust and that Christ will come a second time to judge the quick and the dead when he will consign the wicked to everlasting punishment and introduce His own people into his kingdom and Glory where they shall be for ever with Him.

Custom and Practice

That baptism of believers by immersion and the Lords Supper are ordinances of Christ to be continued until His coming again and that the former is absolutely requisite to the latter, that is to say that only those are to be admitted as members of the church and participate in its privileges including the ordinance of the Lords supper who upon profession of their faith have been baptised namely immersed in water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. And that no person who has not been baptised as afore said shall on any account be permitted to sit down or commune at the "Lords table" within the said school room and whereas for the purpose of giving effect to the objects and intention's of the parties hereto and of the said church it has been agreed that the said hereditaments shall be conveyed to the trustees upon the trust and for the purpose hereinafter contained and these present have been approved by the members of the said Church meeting called for that purpose and held at the said chapel on or before the date hereof.

The indenture further witnesses that in further pursuance and consideration of the premises they the Trustees do hereby severally covenant and agree amongst themselves and with each other and with the church that they the trustees their successor's and assigns shall and henceforth stand and be possessed of the hereditaments And premises herein before conveyed unto them upon trust to dedicate and devote and preserve the same for the purpose of holy and divine according to the tenet's or articles of faith herein set forth.

That the election of any future pastor of the said church and the removal of any pastor shall be decided by the vote of two thirds of the church assembled at a regularly convened church meeting together with the object for which it is convened having been publicly announce for four successive Lords days. No member eligible to vote has to have been four times to the Lords table in six months unless prevented by illness etc.

No minister shall be elected to the pastoral office or continue therein but such as holds to the doctrines and communion aforesaid nor shall it be lawful for the said church to receive into fellowship any such persons as members but such as have been baptised that is by immersed in water upon confession of

their faith in Christ and are able to give some satisfactory account of a work of grace having passed upon their souls in being called out of darkness into Gods marvellous light, nor shall it be lawful for the said church to admit to her communion (in which term is include the ordinance of the Lords supper) any person who has not been baptized by immersion in water on a profession of faith in the name of Jesus.

Indenture Bierton Strict and Particular Baptist Chapel 1882

THIS INDENTURE made the 25th day of February in the year of our Lord 1832 between **William Bonham** late of Wilstone in the Parish of Tring in the County of Hertford now of Bierton in the County of Bucks (Brick Layer) (1) **Joseph Rose** of Aylesbury in the said County of Bucks Gentleman a Trustee for the said **William Bonham** (2) **Robert Dell** of the same place, Wine Merchant (in whom as surviving Executor of the Last Will and Testament of **John Parker** late of the same place Gentleman) the hereditaments hereinafter particularly mentioned are described and intended to be hereby bargain and sold are now vested for the residue of a satisfied Trust term of 1000 years (3) and **William Bell** (Farmer) **Thomas Elliott** (Butcher), **Thomas Bonham** (Brick Layer), **James Bonham** (Brick Layer). **William Bonham** the younger, **William Dickens** (Farmer), **William Rodwell** (Labourer), **David Price** (Labourer), **James Jeffrey** (Labourer) and **William Parker** (Labourer), all of Bierton aforesaid **James Henry Marshall** (Book Seller), **Joseph Freeman** (Tile Maker), **Samuel Brocklehurst** (Gardener), **John Gunn** (Grocer) **Augustus Lines** (Grocer) and **Thomas Reynolds** (Tailor), all of Aylesbury aforesaid and **William Woolhead** of Hardwick, in the said County of Bucks Gentleman (4)

WHEREAS the said parties hereto of the fourth part have with the said William Bonham Brick Layer for the absolute purchase of the land and hereditaments hereinafter particularly mentioned and described and intended to be hereby bargain and sold in manner and for the purposes hereinafter in that behalf mentioned and the fee simple and inheritance thereof in possession free from encumbrances for the sum of one pound one shilling

NOW THEREFORE THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH

That in pursuance of the said recited and agreement and for and in consideration of the sum of one pound one shilling of lawful money of Great Britain to the said William Bonham Brick Layer in hand well and truly paid by the said several above named parties hereto of the fourth part and at on or before the sealing and delivering of these presents the payment and receipt whereof the said William Bonham (Brick Layer) doth hereby acknowledge

and thereof and there from and of and from part thereof doth hereby equit release and discharge them the said several parties hereto of the fourth part and doth of them their and each of their heirs trust executors administrators and assigns forever and also in consideration of the sum of five shillings of like lawful money to the said **Joseph Rose** and **Robert Dell** in hand also paid by the said parties hereto of the fourth part at or before the execution hereof the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged they the said **Joseph Rose** and **Robert Dell** according to their respective estates and interests in the premises and at the request of and by the direction of the said **William Bonham** (Brick Layer), testified as aforesaid have and each of them hath bargained and sold and buy these presents do and each of them doth bargain and sell and the said **William Bonham** (Brick Layer), have granted bargained and sold released and confirmed and by this present Deed indented sealed and delivered in the presence of two credible witnesses and intended to be forthwith enrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery doth grant bargain sell release and confirm unto the said **William Bell Thomas Elliott Thomas Bonham James Bonham William Bonham** (the younger) **William Rifkin William Rodwell David Price James Jeffrey William Parker James Henry Marshall Joseph Freeman Samuel Brocklehurst John Gunn Augustus Lines Thomas Reynolds and William Woolhead** the parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns ALL THAT plot or piece of | land parcel of a private orchard or home Close of enclosed ground lately pasture, round situate at the Parish of Berton aforesaid in the said County of Bucks adjoining or belonging to a messuage or tenement formerly divided into and used as two Cottages or tenements heretofore in the several use and occupation of **Thomas Cripps** and **William Parker** afterwards of **William Bowden** and **Bernard Rodwell** Esquire of **Thomas Impey** or his heirs assigns with some additions and alterations into and used as for tenements and in the several occupations of **Bernard Rodwell John Ross Thomas Wiggins and Ann Chappell Widow Nomas Collins** and himself the said **William Bonham** Brick Layer and which plot or piece of land is bounded on the South by the Tumpike Road leading, or through Berton aforesaid on the East and North by other parts of the said private orchard or plot and on the West by the sited and ground belonging to other Cottages or tenements built by the said **William Bonham** Brick Layer on other part of the said private orchard or Close and contained in width at the South end thereof twenty-seven feet or thereabouts and at the North end thereof twenty five feet or thereabouts and in length on the East side thereof sixty seven feet or thereabouts and on the West side thereof sixty eight feet or thereabouts as the same is now set out and divided from the remainder

o. the premises by a brick wall and part of a footpath on each side thereof together with the on all sides of the said plot or piece of land and all ways water watercourses hedges ditches walls fences easements privileges advantages monuments hereditaments rights and appurtenances whatsoever to the said land and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be belonging or in any wise appertaining and the and various remainders and remainders yearly and other rents issues and profits thereof and any part thereof and also all the estate right title interest and trust inheritance possession benefit property possibility and demand whatsoever both at law and in equity of them the said **William Bonham Brick Layer Joseph Rose** and **Robed Dell** and of each of them into and out of the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be and every part thereof

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD

The said land hereditaments and or and singular other the premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be and any part thereof with the appurtenances unto the said **William Bell, Thomas Elliott, Thomas Bonham, James Bonham, William Bonham the younger, William Rifkind, William Rodwell, David Price, James Jeffrey, William Parker, James Henry Marshall, Joseph Freeman, Samuel Brocklehurst, John Gunn, Augustus Lines and Thomas Reynolds and William Woolhead**, the parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns to the use and behoove of them the said **William Dell Thomas Elliot Thomas Bonham James Bonham William Bonham the younger, William Rifkin, William Rodwell, David Price, James Jeffrey, William Parker, James Henry Marshall, Joseph Freeman, Samuel Brocklehurst, John Gunn, Augustus Lines, and Thomas Reynolds and William Woolhead**, the parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns forever upon the trusts nevertheless and to and for the interests and purposes hereinafter expressed and declared that is to say upon trust to permit a Chapel or Meeting house and other offices to be erected built and completed and from time to time repaired restored and rebuilt upon the said land and to permit the Chapel or meeting house thereon for the time being to be from time to time and at all times hereafter dedicated used and enjoyed as a place of public religious worship by the **Society or Congregation of Protestant Dissenters called particular Baptists and Independents** who shall assemble thereat and maintain the doctrines commonly known as Calvinistic and by such other persons as shall thereafter be united to the said Society and intend the worship of God at such Chapel or meeting house and for that purpose to permit to officiate in the said Chapel or meeting house such person or persons of the

denomination of the Protestant dissenters called particular Baptists and Independents so that the major part of the adult members of the said Society being communicant therein shall at any Church meeting duly assembled for that purpose from time to time elect to officiate as their Minister or Pastor therein according to the usual order and custom of Societies of Protestant dissenters of the denomination aforesaid which person or persons so from time to time elected as Minister or Pastor of the said Society shall continue such Minister or Pastor only so long as and no longer than the major part in number of the adult members of the said Society being communicants therein shall think fit and to permit any part of the offices or buildings of the said land to be used with and be appurtenant to the said Chapel or meeting house as a vestry room or otherwise to be taken for the enlargement of the said Chapel or meeting house as occasion may require and

UPON FURTHER TRUST

As to such part of the said land as shall be more than sufficient for the site of the said Chapel or meeting house and offices with their appendages to permit and suffer the same from time to time and at all times hereafter to be used and occupied as and for a burial ground or place of internment for the bodies of the members of the said Society or Congregation and of such other persons as the major part of the adult members of the said Society being communicants there in shall from time to time think fit and allow to be there interred and

UPON FURTHER TRUST

From time to time if and when thereto required by the adult male members being communicants of the said Society or Congregation for the time being in their Church meeting duly assembled or the major part in numbers of those so assembled to raise such sum or sums of money as they or the major part of them so assembled shall direct by mortgage of the said premises and thereupon to demise or release and convey the said premises for that purpose and stand possessed of the money which from time to time shall be received from any such mortgage upon trust to lay out and dispose of the same in such manner and to such purposes for the benefit of the said Society or for the improvement of the trust property or the enlargement repair or rebuilding of the premises or otherwise as the major part in number of the adult members of the said Society being communicants therein as aforesaid and present at a meeting to be called for that purpose shall from time to time direct but in case the said Society or Congregation of particular Baptists and Independents shall be totally dissolved or dispensed and the public worship of the said Chapel or meeting house be discontinued by them for the space of twelve calendar months together then

UPON SUCH FURTHER TRUST

To let or otherwise dispose of the said Chapel or meeting house and premises to such person or persons for such terms in such manner and for such purposes either religious or civil as the Managers for the time being of a Society called the **Particular Baptist Fund** established in London in (1717) One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventeen shall from time to time direct or appoint of or concerning the same provided always that in case any mortgage sale or other disposition of all or any part of the said premises shall at any time be made or any letting thereof shall take place in pursuance of the trusts aforesaid the person or persons borrowing a Purchaser or Purchasers or mortgagee or mortgagees or otherwise paying any money in respect of the said premises his her or their Executors or Administrators shall not be compelled to see to the appropriation of the money so by him her or them paid nor be answerable or accountable for the misapplication or non-application of the same or any part thereof and that the receipt or receipts which shall from time to time or at any time or times be given by the Trustee or Trustees for the time being for such purchase mortgage or other monies or any part thereof shall be a good valid and sufficient equitance and discharge and good valid and sufficient equitance and discharged for the sum or sums of money which shall have therein been acknowledged to have been received provided also and it is hereby agreed and declared that when and so often during the continuance of the trusts hereby created as the number of the Trustees shall by death or otherwise be reduced to five or less and so from time to time as often as there shall be not more than five Trustees for the purposes aforesaid or officers if the adult members of the said Society or Congregation shall think it expedient so many other persons being Protestant dissenters by profession shall be named and chosen to be Trustees of the said premises as shall make the number of fifteen Trustees at the least such Trustees to be from time to time nominated appointed or chosen by the adult members of the said Society or the major part of them for that purpose only assembled by public notice in their Church meeting and upon every such choice the continuing Trustees or Trustees for the time being or the last of those last surviving Trustees shall be sufficient conveyance and assurance in the law convey and assure the said land Chapel or meeting house and premises with the appurtenances to such new Trustees so to be appointed as aforesaid so and in such manner as that the same may become legally and effectually vested in such new Trustees only or in such new Trustees and the continuing Trustees or any of them as the case may require upon such or the like trusts and to and for such or the like intents and purposes as are herein before declared and expressed

concerning the same and the said **Robert Dell** for himself his heirs Executors and Administrators and for his own acts only and the said **Joseph Rose** for himself his heirs and Executors and Administrators and for his own acts only so hereby severally covenant and with and to the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns the said **Robert Dell** and **Joseph Rose** have not nor have either of them at any time heretofore made done committed executed occasioned or knowingly suffered any act or matter or thing whatsoever whereby or by reason or means whereof the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be or any part thereof are is or shall or may be in any wise impeached affected or encumbered in title estate interest or otherwise howsoever and the said **William Bonham** Brick Layer for himself his heirs Executors Administrators and assigns hereby covenant promise and agree to and with the said parties hereto of the fourth part and their heirs and assigns in manner following that is to say (for and notwithstanding any act deed matter or thing whatsoever by him the said **William Bonham** (Brick Layer) or any trustee for him made done committed executed occasioned or knowingly suffered to be contrary) he the said **William Bonham** Brick Layer either loan or together with the said **Joseph Rose** and **Robert Dell** now at the time of or immediately before the sealing and delivering of these presents is and stands or was and stood so seized of and in the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended to be sold and to have good right full power and lawful and absolute authority to grant bargain and- sell the same and every part thereof with the appurtenances unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the fourth part and their heirs and assigns forever in manner and upon the trusts aforesaid and according to the true intent and meaning of those premises and also that if it shall and maybe lawful for them the same parties their heirs and assigns from time to time and at all times forever hereafter peaceably and quietly to enter into and upon and to have hold use occupy and possess the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sole or intended so to be and to receive and take the rents issues and profits thereof and of every part thereof to and for their use and benefit as such Trustees as aforesaid without any let suit objection molestation hindrance or interruption whatsoever of from or by him the said **William Bonham** Brick Layer his heirs or assigns or of from by through or other personal persons whatsoever having or legally or equitably remaining or who shall or may have or legally or equitably retain any estate right type or interest whatsoever of into or out of ...

The remainder deals with covenants for title etc.

Signed sealed and delivered by all parties.

11 GOSPEL STANDARD ARTICLES AND RULES

Adopted by Bierton 16th January 1981

Our Bierton Church became a Gospel Standard cause, on the 16th January 1981. We had our own articles of religion from 1831, which were not inconsistent with the following; and which were adopted by the Bierton Church. The date of Bierton Church becoming a Gospel Standard listed church was exactly 20 years, to the Day after, I was converted from Christ, during a bad LSD Trip, when Jesus spoke to me and answered my question about my friends, He said,
 “All you can do is tell them”.

1 We believe in the divine inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, and receive them as a gracious revelation of the mind and will of God; and we believe that therein are revealed all the doctrines and truths, which we here state.

2 We believe that there is but one living and true God; that there are Three Persons in the Godhead – the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost – and that these Three Persons are equal in nature, power and glory; and we believe that the Son and the Holy Ghost are as truly and as properly God as the Father.

3 We believe in the everlasting and unchangeable love of God; and that before the foundation of the world the Father did elect a certain number of the human race unto everlasting salvation, whom He did predestinate unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will; and we believe that in fulfilling this gracious design, He did make a covenant of grace and peace with the Son and with the Holy Ghost on behalf of those persons thus chosen, and that in this covenant the Son was appointed a Saviour, and all spiritual blessings provided for the elect, and also that their persons, with all the grace and glory designed for them, were put into the hands of the Son as their Covenant Head, and made His care and charge.

4 We believe in the fall of our first parents, and that by it the whole of the human race became involved in, and guilty of, Original Sin; and that as they are born into the world, the whole of their posterity are, in consequence, actual transgressors against God.. And we believe that by the fall all men were rendered both unable and unwilling spiritually to believe in, seek after, or love God until called and regenerated by the Holy Ghost.

5 We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, being set up from everlasting as the Mediator of the New Covenant, and having engaged to be the Surety of His people, did, in the fullness of time, really and

truly assume human nature, and not before, either in whole or in part. And we believe that, though He existed from all eternity as the eternal Son of God, the human soul of the Lord Jesus did not exist before it was created and formed in His body by Him who forms the soul of man within him, when that body was conceived, under the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the virgin Mary. And we believe that Christ's human nature consists of a true body and reasonable soul, both of which, together and at once, the Son of God assumed into union with His Divine Person, when made of a woman and not before; that this human nature was not sinful, peccable, or mortal, though capable of death by a voluntary act, but essentially and intrinsically pure and holy; and that in it He really suffered, bled and died, as the Substitute and Surety of His church and people, in their room and stead, and for no others; whereby, together with His holy, spotless life, He fulfilled the law, and satisfied all the claims of justice, as well as made a way for all those blessings which are needful for His people, both for time and eternity.

6 We believe that the eternal redemption which Christ has obtained by the shedding of His blood is special and particular; that is to say, that it was intentionally designed only for the Elect of God, the Sheep of Christ, who therefore alone share in the special and peculiar blessings thereof 2.

7 We believe that the justification of God's Elect is only by the righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ imputed to them, without consideration of any works of righteousness, before or after calling, done by them, and that the full and free pardon of all their sins, past, present, and to come, is only through the blood of Christ, according to the riches of His grace.

8 We believe that the work of regeneration is not an act of man's free will and natural power, but that it springs from the operation of the mighty, efficacious and invincible grace of God.

9 We believe that all those who were chosen by the Father and redeemed by the Son, and no others, shall, at the appointed time, certainly be convinced in their hearts of sin by the Spirit, be brought in guilty before God, and made the recipients of eternal life, coming to Christ for salvation, and believing on Him as the Anointed of the Father, and the only Mediator between God and man; but that none can spiritually come to Christ unless drawn by the Father; and that all the elect shall be thus drawn to Christ, and shall finally persevere; so that not one of the elect shall perish, but all arrive safely in glory.

10 We believe that all men are by nature so completely dead in trespasses and sins that they cannot, while in that state, know or feel anything of God in Christ, spiritually, graciously, and savingly. And we believe that, when quickened into everlasting life in Christ (as the elect alone are, or can be, or

will be), the vessel of mercy then first feels spiritually the guilt of sin, and is taught to know, in his own experience, the fall and ruin of man. Thus every quickened child of God is brought, in God's own time and way, through the Spirit's teaching, from necessity to depend for salvation on Christ's blood and righteousness alone. And we believe that this teaching will not lead him to licentiousness, but make him willing to walk in good works, to which he is ordained, and which are acceptable to God only through Jesus Christ

11 We believe that man can never do a good work, properly so called, until the grace of God is implanted in his heart, and that nothing is spiritually good but what God Himself is pleased to communicate to, and work in, the soul, both to will and to do of His good pleasure. And we also believe that man's works, good or bad, have not anything to do with his call, or being quickened, by the Holy Spirit.

12 We believe in the effectual calling of all the elect vessels of mercy out of the ruins of the Fall in God's appointed time, and that the work of regeneration, or new birth, is the sovereign work of God, and His work only, the sinner being as passive therein as in his first birth, and previously thereto dead in trespasses and sins. We believe in the application of the Law to the elect sinner's conscience by the Spirit of God, showing the sinner how greatly he has broken that Law, and feelingly condemning him for the same; and in the manifestation of mercy and pardon through Christ alone made known to the soul by God the Holy Ghost.

13 We believe that faith is the gift of God, as well as true spiritual repentance and hope, and a manifestation of pardon to the soul; that through faith Christ is made precious to the soul, and the soul drawn out in love to God; that all are the fruits and effects of the blessed Spirit, and that they will most certainly be productive of good works, and a walk and conversation becoming the Gospel.

14 We believe in the Resurrection of the body, both of the just and the unjust; that the just (the elect) shall be raised up in glory and honour, and be openly acknowledged and fully acquitted in the Judgment Day, before angels, devils and sinners, and made fully and eternally blest both in body and soul; and that the wicked shall be raised up to be condemned, body and soul, to the unspeakable torments of hell for ever and ever.

15 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ, to be continued till His Second Coming; and that the former is requisite to the latter; that is to say, that those only can scripturally sit down to the Lord's Supper who, upon their profession of faith, have been baptised, by immersion, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; and that, therefore, what is called "Mixed Communion" is unscriptural,

improper, and not to be allowed in the churches of Christ.

16 We believe that the Believer's Rule of conduct is the gospel, and not the law, commonly called the Moral Law, issued on Mount Sinai, which hath no glory in it by reason of the glory that excelleth, that is to say, the Gospel; the Gospel containing the sum and substance and glory of all the laws which God ever promulgated from His throne, and the Jews, because of the hardness of their hearts, being permitted some things which the Gospel forbids.

17 We deny and reject, as unscriptural and erroneous, the baptism of infants, whether by immersion, sprinkling, pouring, or any other mode.

18 We reject as blasphemous the doctrine of Baptismal Regeneration; that is, that the person baptized is or can be regenerated in, by or through baptism, much less, if possible, by infant sprinkling.

19 We believe in the sanctification of God's people, the term sanctification signifying a separation and setting apart by and for God. This, in the child of God, is three-fold: 1, by election by God the Father; 2, by redemption by God the Son; and 3, by the almighty regenerating operation of God the Holy Ghost. We believe that the blessed Spirit is the Author of what is styled in Scripture the new creature, or creation, or new heart; being, in truth, an implantation of the Divine nature, through which the child of God would, according to the inner man, be holy as God is holy, and perfectly fulfil all the good pleasure of the Father's will; but groans being burdened, being constantly opposed by the contrary workings of the old man. We reject the doctrine of progressive sanctification, or that a child of God experiences such a gradual weakening, subduing, or rectification of the old nature, called in Scripture the old man, or such a continued general improvement as shall make him at any time less dependent upon the communications of the Spirit and grace of Christ for all goodness, or less a poor, vile, wretched, helpless sinner in himself, and in his own estimation.

20 We believe that the grace of God produces a real change in a man, and teaches him to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live godly, and that there is a growth in grace, which consists principally in a growing experimental knowledge of a man's sinful self 3, the vanity of the creature, the glory of God, the spirituality of His law, and the want and worth of Jesus Christ. This is accompanied by a deepening distrust of everything but the grace and love of God in Christ for salvation, and is not a growth in conscious goodness, but in felt necessity and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

21 We reject the doctrine of perfection in the flesh, or that the believer ever becomes free from indwelling sin in this life, or whilst in the body. "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

22 We reject the doctrines that the children of God cannot backslide, and that God does not chastise His people for sin. For, though we believe that a child of God is called from a death in sin to a life of righteousness, and would, according to the law of his mind, or new nature, in all respects obey God's holy will as declared in the Scriptures, yet through the temptations of Satan, the allurements of the world, and the power and deceitfulness of indwelling sin, he may fall for a season like David, Peter, and other Bible saints did. But we believe that when the children of God thus sin against God, and transgress His holy revealed will, God does in various ways and degrees chastise them for it, not in vindictive anger, but in tender love, as a father does the son in whom he delighteth. We believe, too, that in this matter of chastisement for sin God will deal in a most sovereign way, and as a God of judgment; so that, though the punished child shall be made to discern the reason of the rod, it is seldom safe for others to judge according to the outward appearance. We further believe that no man living in habitual sin gives any proof that he is a child of God, and we cannot, therefore, have fellowship with him, be his profession what it may.

23 We believe, as expressed in Article 9, in the doctrine of the final perseverance of the saints, and that, however much the elect of God may be tried by sin, and opposed by Satan, they shall all eventually attain to everlasting glory. Not one of them shall perish, for none can pluck them out of the Father's hand.

24 We believe that the invitations of the Gospel, being spirit and life*, are intended only for those who have been made by the blessed Spirit to feel their lost state as sinners and their need of Christ as their Saviour, and to repent of and forsake their sins.

25 We deny that Christ died for all mankind.

We deny duty faith and duty repentance – these terms signifying that it is every man's duty to spiritually and savingly repent and believe. We deny also that there is any capability in man by nature to any spiritual good whatever. So that we reject the doctrine that men in a state of nature should be exhorted to believe in or turn to God.

26 We deny that the Holy Spirit ever enlightens the non-elect, to make them capable at all of receiving grace.

28 We reject the doctrine called "Baxterianism"; that is to say, that while all the elect shall assuredly be saved, there is a residuum of grace in Christ for the rest, or any of the rest, if they will only accept it.

29 While we believe that the Gospel is to be preached in or proclaimed to all the world, as in Mark 16. 15, we deny offers of grace; that is to say, that the gospel is to be offered indiscriminately to all.

30 We believe that the glorified body of the Lord Jesus Christ is the same flesh and bones now in heaven as that which hung upon the cross.

31 We reject the doctrine of the annihilation of the wicked, and believe that all who die out of Christ shall be turned into hell, the fire of which shall never be quenched, the wicked there suffering for ever the torments of eternal fire.

32 We believe that it would be unsafe; from the brief records we have of the way in which the apostles, under the immediate direction of the Lord, addressed their hearers in certain special cases and circumstances, to derive absolute and universal rules for ministerial addresses in the present day under widely- different circumstances. And we further believe that an assumption that others have been inspired as the apostles were has led to the grossest errors amongst both Romanists and professed Protestants.

Note: When Articles 32-35 Were Added To The Original 31 Articles

33 Therefore, that for ministers in the present day to address unconverted persons, or indiscriminately all in a mixed congregation, calling upon them to savingly repent, believe, and receive Christ, or perform any other acts dependent upon the new creative power of the Holy Ghost, is, on the one hand, to imply creature power, and, on the other, to deny the doctrine of special redemption.

34 We believe that any such expressions as convey to the hearers the belief that they possess a certain power to flee to the Saviour, to close in with Christ, to receive Christ, while in an unregenerate state, so that unless they do thus close with Christ, etc., They shall perish, are untrue, and must, therefore, be rejected. And we further believe that we have no Scripture warrant to take the exhortations in the Old Testament intended for the Jews in national covenant with God, and apply them in a spiritual and saving sense to unregenerated men.

35 We believe that there are various degrees of faith, as little faith and great faith; that when a man is quickened by the blessed Spirit, he has faith given him to know and feel that he is a sinner against God, and that without a Saviour he must sink in black despair. And we further believe that such a man will be made to cry for mercy, to mourn over and on account of his sins, and, being made to feel that he has no righteousness of his own, to hunger and thirst after Christ's righteousness; being led on by the Spirit until, in the full assurance of faith, he has the Spirit's witness in his heart that his sins are for ever put away; but that the faith is the same in nature as is imparted in his first awakenings, though now grown to the full assurance thereof.

DECLARATION

(Especially for church members)

Now all and each of these doctrines and ordinances we can honestly say it is our desire to maintain and defend in one spirit and with one mind, striving together for the faith of the Gospel.

And we desire, by the grace of God, that our conversation, both in the world and in the church, may be such as becometh the gospel of Christ, and that we may live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present world.

And, as it regards each other in church communion, we desire to walk with each other in all humility and brotherly love; to watch over each other's conversation, to stir up one another to love and good works; not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, but, as we have opportunity, to worship God according to His revealed will; and, when the case requires, to warn and admonish one another according to God's Word.

Moreover, we desire to sympathise with each other in all conditions, both inward and outward, into which God, in His providence, may bring us; as also to bear with one another's weaknesses, failings, and infirmities; and particularly to pray for one another, and for all saints, and that the gospel and the ordinances thereof may be blessed to the edification and comfort of each other's souls, and for the gathering in of vessels of mercy unto Christ.

And for every blessing and favour, both temporal and spiritual, we, who are as deserving of hell as the vilest of the vile, desire to ascribe all the praise to the glory of the grace of a Triune God.

Church Rules

12 ADMITTANCE INTO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

1. Any person desiring to become a member of this church must first be interviewed by the pastor (if there be one) and deacons, who, if in their judgment the candidate is suitable for membership, shall duly bring the matter before the church. A copy of the church's Articles of Faith and Rules to be given to each candidate for their instruction.

2. At a regularly constituted church meeting (see rules 13- 15) the candidate (whether already a member of another church or not) shall make a verbal confession of faith, and declare what he or she believes God has done for his or her soul. If accepted by a vote of the majority of members' present and voting, signature in the church book to the Articles of Faith and Rules will be required. Thereafter, at the earliest convenient opportunity, the person shall, unless previously baptised by immersion, be so baptised in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; and be formally received into

church fellowship at the next observance of the Lord's Supper.

3. Any person who, having been baptised while only in a carnal profession of religion, has since been called by the Spirit of God to a knowledge of his or her lost condition by nature and practice, and to living faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, being desirous of uniting with this church, shall attend to the ordinance of believers' baptism, according to rule 2 (last clause), for "whatsoever is not of faith is sin" (Rom. 14. 23).

4. No minister shall be appointed as pastor until he has supplied at least months on probation, and unless there be in favour at least two-thirds (three-fifths) of the members present and voting at a church meeting duly convened for this particular purpose (see rules 13-15); nor shall any minister be invited to supply on probation without a like majority, also at a duly convened meeting.

5. If at any time where there is a pastor, the conduct of such pastor should be contrary to the precepts of the gospel, or if he should depart from the Articles of Faith or any one of them, or if his ministry should become unprofitable, a majority of the members present and voting at a properly convened church meeting (see rules 13-15) shall be competent to declare that he shall no longer be the pastor; and he shall be removed from the pastorate accordingly. And at such meeting the pastor shall not be present. Always presuming that adequate opportunity has been afforded the pastor to explain himself.

6. Any member of this church knowingly receiving the ordinance of the Lord's Supper with any church not of the same faith and order with ourselves, shall be reprov'd; and should the offence be repeated, be withdrawn from.

7. Any member knowing another to act disorderly, shall tell the offending brother or sister of his or her fault alone, in the spirit of meekness (Gal. 6. 1); and if not satisfied with the explanation, shall acquaint the pastor or deacons of the church with the matter; and if any member neglect to do so, and be found reporting it to others, such member shall be visited and reprov'd as acting contrary to Scripture rule.

8. Any member bringing, in any manner, an open reproach on the cause shall be suspended; and no member suspended for any reason shall again be admitted to the Lord's Supper and to the privileges of membership, until godly sorrow and repentance are manifest, and satisfactory acknowledgement is made to the church.

9. Any member relating to any other person, not a member, what has been said or done at any church meeting, shall be liable, according to the judgment of the pastor and deacons, to be brought before the church to be dealt with.

10. If any member repeatedly neglect to attend the preaching of the Word,

the Lord's Supper, and prayer meetings, unless from unavoidable causes known to the pastor and deacons and the church, a reason will be required for his or her absence; and if he or she shall be absent from the Lord's Supper upon more than three successive occasions, without being able to give the pastor or deacons who shall visit such member a satisfactory reason for such absence, they shall bring the matter before the church to be dealt with as it shall determine, whether for reproof, suspension, or withdrawal from the offending party.

11. Members having private differences between themselves shall not bring the same before the church before the rule laid down in Matt. 18. 15, 16, has been first attended to by the offended party; and in the event of satisfaction not being given, that the peace of the church may if possible be preserved, the offended party shall first inform the pastor or deacons (assembled); but if not satisfied with his, or their mediation or decision, the member shall bring the case before the church, by giving one month's notice in writing to the minister or deacons.

12. A church meeting, at which the pastor or a minister agreed by the church shall preside, shall be held every months, and oftener if required; and it is expected that all the members who are able will attend. No person shall be present at our church meetings but regular members of this church, except by special consent of the church. No member who may be under church censure shall be present at any church meeting.

13. All church meetings shall be audibly announced from the pulpit or desk when the people are regularly assembled for worship at least on the two Lord's Days immediately preceding the date of any such meeting.

14. The pastor or deacons shall have it in his or their power to call a church meeting whenever he or they consider it necessary; also he or they shall be required to do so when requested by not less than of the members, in any case considered urgent; but in every case proper notice (rule 13) shall be given; and any meeting held, whether called by pastor or deacons, or both, not according to such rule, shall be of none effect.

15. No motion of any serious importance (e.g., Cases of discipline, application for membership, call to the ministry, appointment of pastor, etc.) Shall be brought forward at any church meeting, unless notice thereof shall have been given at a church meeting held at least one month previous thereto; except in such a case as (in the judgment of the pastor and deacons) the cause of truth would suffer prejudice by delay.

16. All propositions, whether for church membership or otherwise, and all motions, shall be seconded before being put from the chair; and in the event of the voting being equally divided on any subject to be decided, the

chairman (president) shall be allowed a second (casting) vote. Any debate or difference that may arise shall be settled by the majority of the members present and voting.

17. When any question has been decided by the majority of the church, if any member shall attempt to set aside or oppose the same decision within six months afterwards, such member shall be accounted as acting disorderly and contrary to rule 16 of this church.

18. Female members may ask questions through a male member, or may, if asked by the chairman (president), answer any question put from the chair; otherwise they are not permitted to speak at church meetings. Should any female member persistently violate this rule, she shall be liable to suspension from the privileges of membership for months.

19. A statement of the finances of the cause shall be laid before the church every months, when the vote of satisfaction or otherwise shall be recorded.

20. The number of the deacons of the church shall not be less than two where practicable; no deacon shall at any time be appointed unless at least two-thirds (three-fifths) of the members present and voting at a church meeting held for the appointment of such deacon, be in favour of such appointment.

21. Members of churches of the same faith and order may commune with this church by giving notice (naming their own church) to the pastor or deacons of their desire to do so not later than before the commencement of the service immediately preceding the communion service; or where the communion service is held separately, not later than the close of the preceding service.

Severance Of Any Member From The Church

22. The severance of any member from this church may be **only effected by the church itself** acting under its duly appointed officers (pastor and deacons), at a properly convened church meeting (see rules 12-15), in the following instances: -

In respect of an orderly member for transfer to another church of the same faith and order, in which event an honourable dismissal should be granted; or,

By disciplinary action of withdrawal AS A LAST RESORT in the case of any disorderly member neglecting to hear either;

An offended member's private remonstrance; or, after that,

The additional exhortations of two or three other brethren; or still further,

(3) The admonition of the whole church, according to Matt. 18. 15-17.

23. Any member of the church considering that he has received the call of the Holy Spirit to the solemn work of the ministry of the Gospel, shall, before engaging to preach anywhere, relate to the pastor (or deacons where there is

no pastor) his exercises relating thereto; who, if in his (or their) judgment the matter is indeed of the Lord, shall name the same to the church assembled according to rule 13. In the event of any question or reason entertained by any member or members (on grounds relating to walk or character) why the case should not proceed, the same must be raised and considered at this preliminary meeting; and no examination of the credentials of the member's call shall be undertaken until such question or reason shall have been satisfactorily disposed of by the church. If then agreed by not less than four-fifths (two-thirds) of the members present and voting, the church shall assemble, a month later (according to rule 15), to hear from the member a relation of the matter, and (either then or at a subsequent meeting, as agreed) to hear also an exercise of his gift in preaching. If approved by four-fifths (two-thirds) of the members present and voting, the member shall be given the church's sanction to preach.

Any member-preaching contrary to or in neglect of this rule shall be dealt with as walking disorderly.

Should the member consider that his case has been prejudiced, or if through assumed prejudice the pastor or deacons do not bring it forward, the matter may be dealt with according to rule 11. But except for very serious defection in the church, it is believed that when such a matter is truly of the Lord no such course will be needful.

Notes:

(1) In some cases where the majority stated is not quite reached, that there may be no precipitate conclusion in so solemn a concern, it may be considered advisable for the church to hear the member preach on some further occasion or occasions, before coming to a final decision. This course should only be adopted when the church agrees by a majority of four-fifths (two-thirds) voting in favour.

(2) In cases of pastorless churches, it may be proper for the church to agree to invite the pastor of another church of the same faith and order to preside at the meetings relating to this important subject.

(3) Bearing in mind the solemn importance of such cases, and the serious responsibility assumed by the church in deciding the same, much earnest prayer is required that the great Head of the church would so dispose each member to act under the spirit of the fear of the Lord, and in the spirit of discernment, and of love to His truth and cause, that the voting may be regulated thereby with a single eye to His glory, according to the will of God.

Note – The blanks in Rules 4, 12, 14, 18, 19 should be filled up, and the alternative majorities in rules 4, 20, 23, be defined, by each individual church.

13 OUR TRUST DEED GROUND PLAN

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1. Administrative area and postcode if known		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY Record of fees paid																		
2. Address or other description of the estate to be registered Baptist Chapel, Aylesbury Road, Bierton, Bucks. HP22 5DN <i>On registering a rentcharge, profit a prendre in gross, or franchise, show the address as follows: "Rentcharge, franchise etc, over 2 The Grove, Anytown, Northshire NE2 900".</i>																				
3. Extent to be registered Place "X" in the appropriate box and complete as necessary.		Particulars of under/over payments Fees debited £ Reference number																		
<input type="checkbox"/> The land is clearly identified on the plan to the <i>Enter nature and date of deed.</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The land is clearly identified on the attached plan and shown <u>edged red</u> <i>Enter reference e.g. "edged red".</i> <input type="checkbox"/> The description in panel 2 is sufficient to enable the land to be clearly identified on the Ordnance Survey map <i>When registering a rentcharge, profit a prendre in gross or franchise, the land to be identified is the land affected by that estate, or to which it relates.</i>																				
4. Application, priority and fees <i>A fee calculator for all types of applications can be found on Land Registry's website at www.landregistry.gov.uk/fees</i> Nature of applications <table border="0"> <thead> <tr> <th>in priority order</th> <th>Value/premium £</th> <th>Fees paid £150</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1. First registration of the estate</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>3.</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>4.</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="text-align: right;">TOTAL £</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> Fee payment method: Place "X" in the appropriate box. I wish to pay the appropriate fee payable under the current Land Registration Fee Order:		in priority order	Value/premium £	Fees paid £150	1. First registration of the estate			2.			3.			4.			TOTAL £			FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY Status codes
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6. Documents lodged with this form <i>List the documents on Form DL. We shall assume that you request the return of these documents. But we shall only assume that you request the return of a statutory declaration, subsisting lease, subsisting charge or the latest document of title (for example, any conveyance to the applicant) if you supply a certified copy of the document. If certified copies of such documents are not supplied, we may retain the originals of such documents and they may be destroyed.</i>																				
7. The applicant is: <i>Please provide the full name of the person applying to be registered as the proprietor.</i> Application lodged by: ASSOCIATION OF GRACE BAPTIST CHURCHES LIMITED Land Registry Key No.(if appropriate) 00096055 Name (if different from the applicant) Address/DX No. 7 ARLINGTON WAY, LONDON EC1R1XA Reference E-mail david@agbc.se.org.uk Telephone No. 020 7278 1225 Fax No. 020 7278 3598		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY Status codes																		

- 8. Where you would like us to deal with someone else** *We shall deal only with the applicant, or the person lodging the application if different, unless you place "X" against one or more of the statements below and give the necessary details.*

- Send title information document to the person shown below
- Raise any requisitions or queries with the person shown below
- Return original documents lodged with this form (see note in panel 6) to the person shown below
If this applies only to certain documents, please specify.

Name
Address/DX No.

Reference
E-mail

Telephone No.

Fax No. *

- 9. Address(es) for service of every owner of the estate. The address(es) will be entered in the register and used for correspondence and the service of notice.** *In this and panel 10, you may give up to three addresses for service one of which must be a postal address but does not have to be within the UK. The other addresses can be any combination of a postal address, a box number at a UK document exchange or an electronic address. For a company include the company's registered number, if any. For Scottish companies, use an SC prefix, and for limited liability partnerships, use an OC prefix before the registered number if any. For foreign companies give territory in which incorporated.*

Unless otherwise arranged with Land Registry headquarters, we require a certified copy of the owner's constitution (in English or Welsh) if it is a body corporate but is not a company registered in England or Wales or Scotland under the Companies Acts.

- 10. Information in respect of a chargee or mortgagee** *Do not give this information if a Land Registry MD reference is printed on the charge, unless the charge has been transferred.*

Full name and address (including postcode) for service of notices and correspondence of the person entitled to be registered as proprietor of each charge. *You may give up to three addresses for service; see panel 9 as to the details you should include.*

N/A.

Unless otherwise arranged with Land Registry headquarters, we require a certified copy of the chargee's constitution (in English or Welsh) if it is a body corporate but is not a company registered in England and Wales or Scotland under the Companies Acts.

- 11. Where the applicants are joint proprietors** *Place "X" in the appropriate box*

- The applicants are holding the property on trust for themselves as joint tenants
- The applicants are holding the property on trust for themselves as tenants in common in equal shares
- The applicants are holding the property *(complete as necessary)*

- 12. Disclosable overriding interests** *Place "X" in the appropriate box.*

- No disclosable overriding interests affect the estate
- Form DI accompanies this application

Rule 28 of the Land Registration Rules 2003 sets out the disclosable overriding interests that you must tell us about. You must use Form DI to tell us about any disclosable overriding interests that affect the estate.

The registrar may enter a notice of a disclosed interest in the register of title.

13. The title is based on the title documents listed in Form DL which are all those that are in the possession or control of the applicant.

Place "X" in the appropriate box. If applicable complete the second statement; include any interests disclosed only by searches other than local land charges. Any interests disclosed by searches which do not affect the estate being registered should be certified.

- All rights, interests and claims affecting the estate known to the applicant are disclosed in the title documents and Form DI if accompanying this application. There is no-one in adverse possession of the property or any part of it.
- In addition to the rights, interests and claims affecting the estate disclosed in the title documents or Form DI if accompanying this application, the applicant only knows of the following:

14. Place "X" in this box if you are NOT able to give this certificate.

We have fully examined the applicant's title to the estate, including any appurtenant rights, or are satisfied that it has been fully examined by a conveyancer in the usual way prior to this application.

15. We have authority to lodge this application and request the registrar to complete the registration.

16. Signature of applicant
or their conveyancer

David S. Whitford (Secretary)

Date 21.9.05

Note: Failure to complete the form with proper care may deprive the applicant of protection under the Land Registration Act if, as a result, a mistake is made in the register.

If you would like to discuss this correspondence or require it in an alternative format please contact me, quoting our reference.

Yours sincerely

Martyn Temple
Direct line 0116 202 2284

List of documents

Please complete in duplicate.

Land Registry
Official Copy
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Size as the original.

Land Registry

DL

1. Property

Baptist Chapel, Aylesbury Road, Berton, Bucks. HP22 5DN

2. Documents lodged

Notes (a) The first column is for official use only. If the Registry places an asterisk "*" in this column, it shows that we have kept that document.

(b) Number the documents in sequence; copies should also be numbered and listed as separate documents.

(c) If you supply the original document and a certified copy, we shall assume that you request the return of the original; if a certified copy is not supplied, we may retain the original document and it may be destroyed. For first registration applications, see the note in panel 6 of Form FR1.

OFFICIAL USE ONLY ^(a)	Item No. ^(b)	Date	Document ^(c)	Parties
✓	1	25/02/1832	Foundation Trust Deed of Berton Baptist Church	William Bonham, Joseph Rose, Robert Dell and William Bell etc. (Trustees of Berton Baptist Chapel)
✓	2	13/12/1880 (on rear of page two of 1832 Deed)	Memorandum of the Choice & Appointment of New Trustees	Thomas Bonham, James Jeffery etc.
✓	3	11/12/1929 (on rear of page one of 1832 Deed)	Memorandum of the Choice & Appointment of New Trustees	George E C King, John Roberts etc.
*	4	19/09/2005	Certified Copy of the above Deeds	Transcribed by Brown Cooper Monier-Williams Solicitors.
✓	5	24/04/1907	Trust Deed of Berton Baptist Schoolrooms & toilets	Abel Dearing and Thomas Todd etc. (Trustees of Berton Baptist Chapel, Schoolrooms & Toilets)
✓	6	25/03/1977	Copy of the Memorandum of the Choice & Appointment of New Trustees	Percy Gurney, Sidney White, Percy Foster, P C Janes, T D S Martin, D Baumber, F H Hill, J A Heather, J Hill, A V King

OFFICIAL USE ONLY ⁽⁶⁾	Item No. ⁽⁶⁾	Date	Document ^(c)	Parties
✓	7	05/02/2003	Memorandum of the Choice & Appointment of New Trustees (AGBC Ltd)	Association of Grace Baptist Churches Ltd.
✓	8	17/03/2005	History of Trustees (since 25/05/1832)	From William Bell to AGBC Ltd. (Extracted from the Minutes of the Members' Meetings of Bierton Baptist Church).
✓	9	21/09/2005	Summary of Case re. David Clarke's claim to be a member of Bierton Baptist Church	David Clarke gave an undertaking to the Court to remove all the Cautions he had lodged at the Land Registry (regarding this property) before 16.00hrs on 20/09/2005.

Transcription of the Foundation Deed of Bierton Chapel. Executed on the 25th
February 1832 by William Bonham and others.

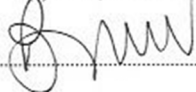
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Notes on the Transcription

The three pages of the Deed are bound in reverse order along the lower edge.

(1) Where the correct reading of a word or proper name is in doubt this has been indicated by enclosing the word in square brackets with a question mark. Square brackets have also been used to comment on the text and indicate illegible marks.

Brown Cooper Monier-Williams Solicitors, of 71 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, WC2A 3JF, Solicitors, certify that, except where specifically indicated pursuant to note (1) above, this transcription is a true and accurate copy of the original.

 Date 19-9-05

[In the left hand margin on each page of the Indenture there is affixed a blue impressed stamp saying "ONE POUND" under a coat of arms. Beneath that is a round stamp with a crown in the middle reading around the edge "BUCKINGHAM 18.10.30".]

THIS INDENTURE made the 25th day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty two BETWEEN WILLIAM BONHAM late of Wilstone in the Parish of Tring in the County of Hertford and now of Bierton in the County of Bucks Bricklayer of the first part JOSEPH ROSE of Aylesbury in the said County of Bucks Gentleman a trustee for the said William Bonham of the second part ROBERT DELL of the same place Wine Merchant (in whom as surviving executor of the last Will and Testament of John Parker late of the same place Gentleman the hereditaments hereinafter particularly mentioned and described and intended to be hereby bargained and sold are now vested for the residue of a satisfied trust term of one thousand years) of the third part and WILLIAM BELL Farmer THOMAS ELLIOTT Butcher THOMAS BONHAM Bricklayer JAMES BONHAM Bricklayer

WILLIAM BONHAM the younger Tailor WILLIAM DICKINS Farmer WILLIAM RODWELL Labourer DAVID PRICE Labourer JAMES JEFFREY Labourer and WILLIAM PARKER Labourer all of Bierton aforesaid JAMES HENRY MARSHALL Bookseller JOSEPH FREEMAN Tile Maker SAMUEL BROCKLEHURST Gardener JOHN GUNN Grocer AUGUSTUS LINUS Grocer and THOMAS REYNOLDS Taylor all of Aylesbury aforesaid and WILLIAM WOOLLHEAD of Hardwick in the said County of Bucks Gentleman of the fourth part WHEREAS the said parties hereto of the fourth part have contracted with the said William Bonham Bricklayer for the absolute purchase of the land and hereditaments hereinafter particularly mentioned and described and intended to be hereby bargained and sold in manner and for the purposes hereinafter in that behalf mentioned and the fee simple and inheritance thereof in possession free from encumbrances for the sum of one pound one shilling NOW THEREFORE THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that in pursuance of the said recited contract and agreement and for and in consideration of the sum of one pound one shilling of lawful money of Great Britain to the said William Bonham Bricklayer in hand well and truly paid by the said several above named parties hereto of the fourth part at or before the sealing and delivering of the these presents the payment and receipt whereof the said William Bonham Bricklayer doth hereby acknowledge and thereof and therefrom and of and from every part thereof doth hereby acquit release and discharge them the said several parties hereto of the fourth part and each of them there and each of their heirs cestuique trust executors administrators and assigns for ever AND ALSO in consideration of the sum of five shillings of like lawful money to the said Joseph Rose and Robert Dell in hand also paid by the said parties hereto of the fourth part at or before the execution hereof the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged they the said Joseph Rose and Robert Dell according to their respective estates and interest in the premises and at the request and by the direction of the said William Bonham Bricklayer testified as aforesaid HAVE and each of them HATH bargained and sold and by these presents DO and each of them DOTH bargain and sell and the said William Bonham Bricklayer HATH granted bargained sold aliened released and confirmed and by this present deed indented sealed and delivered in the presence of two credible witnesses and intended to be forthwith inrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery DOTH grant bargain sell alien release and confirm unto the said William Bell Thomas Elliott Thomas Bonham James Bonham William Bonham the younger William Dickins

William Rodwell David Price James Jeffrey William Parker James Henry Marshall Joseph Freeman Samuel Brocklehurst John Gunn Augustus Linus Thomas Reynolds and William Woollhead parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns ALL that plot or piece of land parcel of a pightle orchard or house close of inclosed Ground lately pasture ground situate in the Parish of Bierton aforesaid in the said County of Bucks adjoining or belonging to a message or tenement formerly divided in to and used as two cottages or tenements heretofore in the several tenures or occupations of Thomas Cripps and William Parker afterwards of William Bowden and Barnard Rodwell since of Thomas [Impey?] or his undertenants or assigns since with some additions and alterations converted into and used as four tenements and in the several occupations of Barnard Rodwell John Godd Thomas Wiggins and Anne Capell and which with subsequent additions now consist of six tenements in the several tenures or occupations of George Rodding William Brandom Elizabeth Wallace Widow Sarah French Widow Thomas Collins and himself the said William Bonham Bricklayer and which plot or piece of land is bounded on the south side by the turnpike road leading through Bierton aforesaid on the east and north by other parts of the said pightle orchard or close and on the west by the scites and ground belonging to other cottages or tenements built by the said William Bonham Bricklayer on other part of the said pightle orchard or close and contains in width at the south end thereof twenty seven feet or thereabouts and at the north end thereof twenty five feet or thereabouts and in length on the east side thereof sixty seven feet or thereabouts and on the west side thereof sixty eight feet or thereabouts as the same is now set out and divided from the remainder of the premises by a Brick wall and part of a foot path on each side thereof together with the fences on all sides of the said plot or piece of land and all ways waters watercourses hedges ditches trees walls fences mounds easements commodities and advantages emoluments hereditaments rights members and appurtenances whatsoever to the said land and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and various remainder and remainders yearly and other rents issues and profits thereof and every part thereof AND ALSO all the estate right title interest use trust inheritance possession benefit property possibility claim and demand whatsoever both at law and equity of them the said William Bonham Bricklayer Joseph Rose and Robert Dell and of each of them of into and out of the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be and every part thereof TO HAVE AND TO

HOLD the said land hereditaments and all and singular other the premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be and every part thereof with the appurtenances unto the said William Bell Thomas Elliott Thomas Bonham James Bonham William Bonham the younger William Dickins William Rodwell David Price James Jeffrey William Parker James Henry Marshall Joseph Freeman Samuel Brocklehurst John Gunn Augustus Linus Thomas Reynolds and William Woolhead parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns TO the use and behoof of them the said William Bell Thomas Elliott Thomas Bonham James Bonham William Bonham the younger William Dickins William Rodwell David Price James Jeffrey William Parker James Henry Marshall Joseph Freeman Samuel Brocklehurst John Gunn Augustus Linus Thomas Reynolds and William Woolhead parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns forever UPON THE TRUSTS nevertheless and to and for the intents and purposes hereinafter expressed and declared that is to say upon trust to permit a Chapel or meeting house and other offices to be erected built and completed and from time to time repaired re-erected and re-built upon the said land and to permit the Chapel or meeting house thereon for the time being to be from time to time and at all times hereafter dedicated used and enjoyed as a place of Public Religious Worship by the Society or congregation of Protestant Dissenters called Particular Baptists and Independents who shall assemble thereat and maintain the doctrines commonly known as Calvinistic and by such other persons as shall thereafter be united, to the said Society and attend the worship of God at such Chapel or meeting House and for that purpose to permit to officiate in the said chapel or meeting house such person or persons of the denomination of Protestant Dissenters called Particular Baptists and Independents as the major part of the adult MEMBERS of the said Society being Communicants therein shall at any church meeting duly assembled for that purpose from time to time elect to officiate as their Minister or Pastor therein according to the usual order and custom of societies of Protestant Dissenters of the Denomination aforesaid which person or persons so from time to time elected as Minister or Pastor of the said society shall continue such Minister or Pastor only so long as and no longer than the major part in number of the adult members of the said society being Communicants therein shall think fit and to permit any part of the offices or buildings on the said land to be used with and be appendant to the said Chapel or Meeting House as a vestry room or otherwise to be taken for the enlargement of the said chapel or meeting house as occasion may require AND UPON FURTHER TRUST as to such

part of the said land as shall be more than sufficient for the scite of the said Chapel or Meeting House and offices with their appendages to permit and suffer the same from time to time and at all times hereafter to be used and occupied as and for a Burial Ground or place of interment for the bodies of the members of the said society or Congregation and of such other persons as the major part of the adult Members of the said Society being Communicants therein shall from time to time think fit and allow to be there interred AND UPON FURTHER TRUST from time to time if and when thereto required by the adult Male Members being Communicants of the said Society or Congregation for the time being in their Church meeting duly assembled or the major part in number of them so assembled to raise such sum or sums of money as they or the major part of them so assembled shall direct by mortgage of the said premises and thereupon to demise or release and convey the said premises for that purpose and to stand possessed of the money which from time to time shall be received for any such mortgage UPON TRUST to lay out and dispose of the same in such manner and for such purposes for the benefit for the said Society or for the Improvement of the trust property or the enlargement, repair or rebuilding of the premises or otherwise as the major part in number of the adult members of the said society being communicants therein as aforesaid and present at a Meeting to be called for that purpose shall from time to time direct but in case the said Society or Congregation of Particular Baptists and independents shall be totally dissolved or dispersed and the public worship of the said Chapel or meeting house be discontinued by them for the space of twelve calendar months together THEN UPON FURTHER TRUST to let convey or otherwise dispose of the said Chapel or Meeting House and premises to such person or persons for such term in such manner and for such purposes either Religious or Civil as the Managers for the time being of a Society called "The Particular Baptist Fund" established in London in One thousand seven hundred and seventeen shall from time to time direct or appoint of or concerning the same PROVIDED ALWAYS that in case any mortgage sale or other disposition of all or any part of the said premises shall at any time be made or any letting thereof shall take place in pursuance of the Trusts aforesaid the person or persons becoming a purchaser or purchasers or mortgagee or mortgagees or otherwise paying any money in respect of the said premises his, her or their heirs, executors or administrators shall not be compelled to see to the application of the money so by him, her or them paid nor be answerable or accountable for the misapplication or nonapplication of the same

or any part thereof and that the receipt or receipts which shall from time to time or at any time or times be given by the trustee or trustees for the time being for such purchase, mortgage or other monies or any part thereof shall be a good valid and sufficient acquittance and discharge and good valid and sufficient acquittances and discharges for the sum or sums of money which shall therein be acknowledged to have been received PROVIDED ALSO and it is hereby agreed and declared that when and so often during the continuance of the trusts hereby created as the number of the trustees shall by death or otherwise be reduced to five or less and so from time to time as often as there shall be not more than five trustees for the purposes aforesaid or oftener if the adult members of the said Society or congregation shall think it expedient so many other persons being Protestant Dissenters by profession shall be named and chosen to be Trustees of the said premises as shall make the number of 15 trustees at the least such Trustees to be from time to time nominated appointed or chosen by the adult members of the said society or the major part of them for that purpose duly assembled by Public Notice in their Church meeting and upon every such choice the continuing trustees or trustee for the time being or the heirs of the then last surviving Trustee shall by sufficient conveyances and assurances in the law convey and assure the said land Chapel or Meeting house and premises with the appurtenances to such new trustees so to be appointed as aforesaid so and in such manner as that the same may become legally and effectually vested in such new trustees only or in such new trustees and the continuing trustees or any of them as the case may require upon such or the like Trusts and to and for such or the like interests and purposes as are hereinbefore declared and expressed concerning the same AND the said Robert Dell for himself his heirs executors and administrators and for his own acts only AND the said Joseph Rose for himself his heirs executors and administrators and for his own acts only so hereby severally covenant and declare with and to the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns that they the said Robert Dell and Joseph Rose have not nor have either of them at any time heretofore made done committed executed occasioned or knowingly suffered any act deed matter or thing whatsoever whereby or by reason or by means whereof the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be or any part thereof are is can shall or may be in any wise impeached charged affected or incumbered in title estate interest or otherwise howsoever AND the said William Bonham Bricklayer for himself his heirs executors administrators and assigns doth

hereby covenant promise and agree to and with the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns in manner following that is to say that (for and notwithstanding any act deed matter or thing whatsoever by him the said William Bonham Bricklayer or any trustee for him made done committed executed occasioned or knowingly suffered to the contrary) he the said William Bonham Bricklayer either alone or together with the said Joseph Rose and Robert Dell now at the time of or immediately before the sealing and delivering of these presents is and stands or was and stood so seised of and in the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be as to have good right full power and lawful and absolute authority to grant bargain and sell the same AND every part thereof with the appurtenances unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns for ever in manner and upon the trusts aforesaid and according to the true intent and meaning of those presents AND ALSO that it shall and may be lawful for them the same parties their heirs and assigns from time to time and at all times for ever hereafter peaceably and quietly to enter into and upon and to have hold use occupy possess and enjoy the said land hereditaments and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be and to receive and take the rents issues and profits thereof and of every part thereof to and for their use and benefit as such Trustees as aforesaid without any let suit eviction ejection molestation hindrance or interruption whatsoever of from or by him the said William Bonham Bricklayer his heirs or assigns or of from by or through any other person or persons whomsoever having or legally or equitably claiming or who shall or may have or legally or equitably claim any estate right title or interest whatsoever of in to or out of the said land hereditaments and premises or any part thereof by from through under or in trust for him or them in any manner howsoever and that free and clear and freely and clearly and absolutely acquitted exonerated released and discharged or otherwise by the said William Bonham Bricklayer his heirs executors or administrators well and sufficiently saved defended kept harmless and indemnified of from and against all and all manner of former and other gifts grants estates titles troubles charges and incumbrances whatsoever at any time or times heretofore had made done committed executed occasioned or knowingly suffered by the said William Bonham Bricklayer or any other person or persons whomsoever by his act means or privity AND FURTHER that he the said William Bonham Bricklayer and his heirs and any other person having or legally or equitably claiming or who shall or may have or legally or equitably claim

any estate, right, title or interest of in to or out of the said land hereditament and premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be or any part thereof by from through under or in trust for him in any manner howsoever shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter upon every reasonable request and at the proper costs and charges in all things of them the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs or assigns make do acknowledge levy suffer and execute or cause and procure to be made done acknowledged levied suffered and executed all such further and other lawful and reasonable acts deeds devices conveyances and assurances in the law whatsoever for the better more perfectly and absolutely or satisfactorily granting releasing and conveying of the said land hereditament and all and singular other the premises hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be with the appurtenances unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns for ever upon the trusts aforesaid as by the same parties their heirs or assigns or their counsel in the law shall be reasonably advised or devised and required AND LASTLY that for the making out shewing maintaining and defending the title and interest of the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns in or to all or any part of the hereditaments hereby bargained and sold or intended so to be he the said William Bonham Bricklayer his heirs or assigns shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter (unless prevented by fire or other inevitable accident) upon every reasonable request and at the proper costs and charges of them the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs or assigns or any of them produce and shew forth or cause or procure to be produced and shewn forth to them or to their agent attorney or Solicitor or to such other person or persons as they shall direct desire or require or at any trial hearing or examination in any Court of law or equity or other judicature or upon the execution of any commission or otherwise in England as occasion shall require and permit to be perused examined inspected or given in evidence the several deeds evidences and writings specified in the schedule hereunder written and every or any of them and at the like request costs and charges make and deliver or cause to be made and delivered unto the said parties hereto of the fourth part their heirs or assigns attested or other copies or abstracts of or extracts from all and every or any of the same deeds evidences and writings and permit such copies abstracts or extracts to be examined and compared with the originals by any person or persons whom they or any of them may appoint.

IN WITNESS whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

THE SCHEDULE to which the above written indenture refers

- 1773 October 28th Indenture between John Cripps of Bierton in the County of Bucks Yeoman (therein further described) of the one part and John Perkins of Aylesbury in the said County of Bucks Gentleman of the other part
- 1800 March 19th Indenture between Thomas Gripps of the Parish of Chopping Wickham in the said County of Bucks Labourer therein further described on the one part and Henry Stratford of Penn in the said County Baker of the other part
- 1802 June 11th & 12th Indentures of Lease and Release the Release between the said Thomas Cripps of the first part the said Henry Stratford of the second part Daniel Lathwell of Aylesbury aforesaid Gentleman therein further described of the third part Thomas Capp of Grafton in the Parish of Wing in the said County of Bucks Carpenter of the fourth part and John Parker of Aylesbury aforesaid Gentleman of the fifth part
- 1802 October 30th Indenture between the said Thomas Capp of the one part and Noah Gaddesdon of Aylesbury aforesaid Baker of the other part
- 1803 August 5th & 6th Indentures of Lease and Release between the said Thomas Capp of the one part and Thomas Woodman of Bierton aforesaid Baker of the other part

- 1813 October 21st & 22nd Indentures of Lease and Release the Release between the said Thomas Woodman of the one part and the said William Bonham Bricklayer and Joseph Rose of the other part
- 1813 October 23rd Indenture between the same William Bonham Bricklayer of the first part the said Joseph Rose of the second part Thomas Dell of Aylesbury aforesaid Gentleman and William [Rickford?] of the same place Banker therein further described of the third part and the said Thomas Woodman of the fourth part
- 1818 January 10th Indenture between the said Thomas Woodman of the one part and the said William Bonham Bricklayer and Joseph Rose of the other part

[Signed and Sealed]

William Bonham Bricklayer, Joseph Rose, R Dell, William Bell, John Elliott, Thomas Bonham, James Bonham, W Bonham junr, William Dickens, William Bradnell, the mark of David Price, James Jeffery, William Parker, J H Marshall, Joseph Freeman, Samuel Brocklehurst, John Gunn, Augustus Linus, [Thomas Reynolds?] and William Woolhead.

[In margin of last page]

taken and acknowledged by William Bonham Bricklayer the party hereto of the first part at Aylesbury in the County of Bucks this twenty eighth day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty two Before me James James a master [illegible?] in Chancery

[MEMORANDA ENDORSED]

[Stamp Ten Shillings Impressed]

MEMORANDUM of the choice and appointment of new Trustees of the Particular Baptist Chapel situate adjoining main Road in the Parish of Bierton in the County of

Buckingham at a meeting duly convened and held for that purpose at the Particular Baptist Chapel aforesaid on the 13th day of December 1880 Thomas Todd Chairman

Names and description of all Trustees on the constitution or last appointment of Trustees made the 25th day of February 1832

William Bell Farmer Thomas Elliott Butcher Thomas Bonham Bricklayer James Bonham Bricklayer William Bonham the younger Tailor William Dickins Farmer William Rodwell Labourer David Price Labourer James Jeffrey Labourer and William Parker Labourer all of Berton and James Henry Marshall Book seller Joseph Freeman Pilomaker Samuel Brocklehurst Gardener John Gunn Grocer Augustus Linus Grocer & Thomas Reynolds Tailor all of Aylesbury and William Woolhead of Hardwick Gentleman

Names and Descriptions of all the Trustees in whom the said Chapel and Premises now Become Legally Vested

1st Old Continuing Trustees

Thomas Bonham Bricklayer and James Jeffrey Labourer both of Berton.

2 New Trustees now chosen and appointed

[Fleet?] Bonham Bricklayer Thomas Todd Baker Thomas Bonham junior Bricklayer Thomas Norwood Butcher James King Coal dealer James Bonham Butcher Thomas Todd junior, Baker George Dickins Labourer Abel Dearing, Labourer and George King [*superscript E - C*] Bricklayer all of Berton and Henry James Lester Coach builder Edwin North Aerated water manufacturer John Turner Chemist William Hoperoft Grocer Henry Gunn Miller and John Willison Gentleman all of Aylesbury and George Butcher of Tring Banker and John Roberts Stableman of Berton

Dated this 13th day of December 1880

[Signed] Thomas Todd Chairman of the said meeting

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the
said Thomas Todd as Chairman of the said
Meeting at and in the presence of the
said Meeting on the day and year aforesaid in the
presence of

[Signed] James Bonham

[Signed] Thomas Norwood

[Stamp Ten Shillings Impressed]

Memorandum of the choice and appointment of new trustees of the Particular Baptist Chapel situate adjoining the Main Road in the Parish of Berton in the County of Buckingham at a meeting duly convened by Public Notice on the 8th day of December 1929 and held for that purpose in the Chapel aforesaid on the 11th day of December 1929.

[Signed] W. A. Chapman. Chairman.

Names and Descriptions of all Trustees on the last appointment of Trustees made the 13th day of December 1880:-

Thomas Bonham of Berton aforesaid,
Bricklayer
James Jeffrey of Berton aforesaid, Labourer
[Fleet?] Bonham of Berton aforesaid,
Bricklayer
Thomas Todd of Berton aforesaid, Baker

Names and Descriptions of all Trustees in whom the said Chapel and Premises now become legally vested:-

FIRST: Old continuing Trustees –

George Esau Chapman King formerly
of Berton and now of Aylesbury,
Bricklayer

Thomas Bonham the younger of Bierton
 aforesaid, Bricklayer
 Thomas Norwood of Bierton aforesaid,
 Butcher
 James King of Bierton aforesaid, Coal dealer
 James Bonham of Bierton aforesaid, Butcher
 Thomas Todd the younger of Bierton
 aforesaid, Baker
 George Dickins of Bierton aforesaid,
 Labourer
 Abel Dearing of Bierton aforesaid, Labourer
 George Esau Chapman King of Bierton
 aforesaid, Bricklayer
 Henry James Lester of Aylesbury, Bucks,
 Coach builder
 Edwin North of Aylesbury aforesaid, Aerated
 water manufacturer
 John Turner of Aylesbury aforesaid, Chemist
 William Hopcroft of Aylesbury aforesaid,
 Grocer
 Henry Gunn of Aylesbury aforesaid, Miller
 John Willison of Aylesbury aforesaid,
 Gentleman
 George Butcher of Tring, Herts, Banker
 John Roberts of Bierton aforesaid, Stableman

John Roberts formerly of Bierton and
 now of Aylesbury, Stableman

SECOND: New Trustees now chosen
 and appointed -

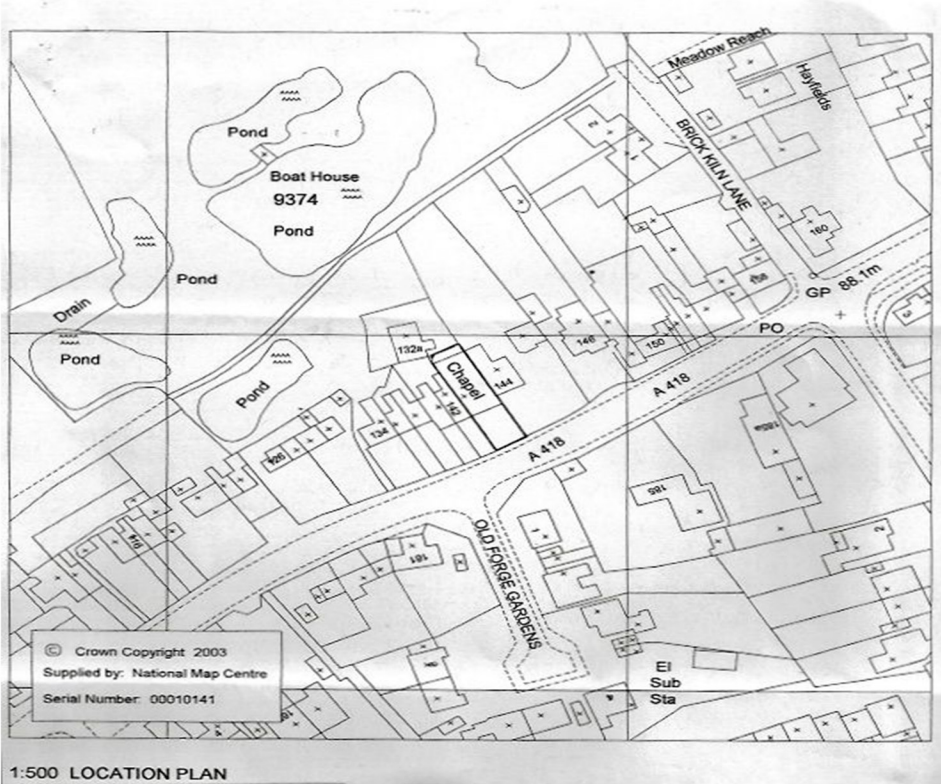
Ernest Thorne, Batchelor of Lee
 Common, Bucks, Gentleman
 Alfred Henry Brooks of Fools Gray,
 Kent, Basket maker
 William Arthur Chapman of
 Aylesbury, Bucks, retired Accountant
 William Figg of Waddesdon, Bucks,
 House Decorator
 Bernard Fleet of Bierton, Bucks,
 Bricklayer
 Percy George Foster of Bierton,
 Bucks, Engineer's miller
 Percy Gurney of Bierton, Bucks,
 Bricklayer
 William James Holt of Wickham
 Marsh, Bucks, Chair maker
 Ellis King of Bierton, Bucks, Farmer
 Frederick George King of St Albans,
 Herts, Schoolmaster
 Raymond Thomas King of Southall,
 Middlesex, Motor garage proprietor
 William John Markham of Bierton,
 Bucks, Builder
 Samuel David Pierce of Lee
 Common, Bucks, Fruit grower
 William Charles Plail of Tottenham,
 Middlesex, Baptist Minister

Inrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery the 30th day of July in the year of our Lord 1832 being first duly stampd according to the tenor of the statutes made for that purpose

B.P.E. -

[Signed] [D. Dony?]

Plan View Of The Bierton Chapel In Bierton



Where Did the Money Go From The sale of our Chapel

Looking at the trust deed it states the money from the sale of the Chapel should go to **The Particular Baptists Fund London 1717** and not The Association of Grace Baptists Churches. However on contacting the Fund I was informed I was not eligible to benefit for the fund as they only support ministries in the UK and not abroad. What do you think of this ?

<https://www.pbfund.org.uk/history.html>

The Secretary

Particular Baptist Fund

5 Sandalwood Road

Westbury

Wiltshire

BA13 3UP

By telephone: 01373 825605

By e-mail: info@pbfund.org.uk

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Concluding Note From David Clarke The Author

In the Daily Diary of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated the back cover suggests that this diary serve to demonstrate the proposition that Jesus gave the command to go into the entire world and preach the gospel, in general rather than specific terms. He did not say how that task was to be done. David suspects that the reason why no specific terms were given as to how to go about this task was because had Jesus given a detail and specific schedule to those who were to carry out the mission it would have proved too daunting to them. So instead He left the methods and practices open to the imagination of men who had been renewed in their minds by the Holy Spirit and with the directions of scripture, with spiritual understanding, would be led to do the work. By this means God would be glorified and often those with a carnal religious mind would be infuriated. It is only when one seeks to obey the command that it is realized that wisdom, determination, courage, skill diplomacy and in fact every skill that man has devised in terms of dealing with money, travel, visa permits, medical practices local laws, legal practices and customs are required. These are not learned by reading a book.

This is not to say those people engaged in the mission will not make mistakes because they will. This is with good reason, for in their weakness they are enabled to look to the Lord, who is their strength, in order to provide all their needs, and so God is glorified. It is also a well known saying the, "He that makes no mistakes makes nothing".

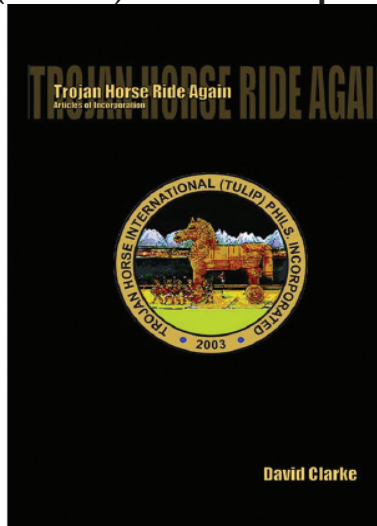
Lessons are learned by mistakes and arm chair critics, who never rise from their comfort zone or arm chair, are unaware that a ship can only be steered when it is on the move.

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BASIC INFORMATION ABOUT COMPANY TROJAN HORSE INTERNATIONAL (TULIP) PHILS.INCORPORATED

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Company GPS	lat: 50.847207, long: -1.212123 accuracy: postcode level



Notification to Companies House UK REGISTRATION OF TROJAN HORSE (TULIP) PHILS. INCORPORATED

Introduction

The ministry, of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, was registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and a Certificate of Incorporation was issued, on the 14th March 2003. The Corporation name was initially secured on the 11th February 2003.

The ministry was first called Trojan Horse International Christian Ministries and its President Lucas P. Dangatan Jr. was commissioned in January 2002 to register the ministry with SEC. This failed to take place. In November 2002, Lucas P. Dangatan Jr. Registered the ministry after a second attempt, but the Director was not satisfied with the details being submitted were inadequate for the purpose of the ministry. On this November occasion the Director with drew the application and sought the aid of Isagani M. Obispo Jr., who was the ministries paralegal secretary, to make a fresh application but this time the names of the founding Director was omitted for reasons un explained. It was revealed at a later date that unscrupulous men sougth to deny the existence of the ministry, which was eventually registered to fulfil the mission intended.

The Chairman's verification certificate gives a clear statement as to the

purpose of the ministry, which is “Setting Captive free”.

David Clarke
Hon. Director.

Articles Of Incorporation

TROJAN HORSE INTERNATIONAL (TULIP) PHILS. INCORPORATED

KNOWN ALL MEN BY PRESENTS:

The undersigned incorporator’s, all of legal age and majority of who are residents of the Philippines, have this day voluntarily agreed to form a none stock, non-profit corporation under then Laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

AND WE HEREBY CERTIFY:

Article 1

The name of the said Organization

Shall be **Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils.
Incorporated**

Article 2

Purpose or Purposes

That the **Purpose or Purposes** for which such corporation is incorporated are:

Primary Purposes

The ministry of Trojan Horse International shall ;

Encourage and support,

Or seek to establish, programs of

Educational learning

And /or bible reading centres, within the

Correctional and Prison Institutions,

Of the Philippines, which promote moral values as taught by the gospel of Christ which is a ministry of “Setting Captives Free”.

To encourage and

Promote a sense of mission

And assist by supporting moral values and moral recovery programs within and without the prisons, throughout the Philippines. Such as the Inmates

Association of PNP Force and VFFII.

To work and cooperate with the Department of Justice and assist in the promotion of rehabilitation and moral recovery programs.

To assist socially recognized or affiliated groups, within and without the prison system, with spiritual, moral, and practical aid, through education, entertainment, recreation, work and social activities.

To assist and aid self-help groups within prisons to enhance and recover living conditions that is dignified and honours humanity.

To prepare and assist selected, reformed inmates, to return to the free society and promote the gospel of Christ. In particular to go to they're own City, town or Province and work, as sent mission officers, in their Jails, in an evangelical manor to fulfil the objectives of this ministry.

To serve as a forum to seek legal Services and counselling for prisoners in a way deemed necessary, convenient or incidental, to carry out the purpose of the ministry.

To develop a network of qualified personnel, throughout the Philippines, to assist and support released prisoners who have been called and sent to fulfil this ministry.

To direct and actively support released inmates to peruse local Church membership with churches who can endorse the Incorporations Articles of Religion, faith and practice.

To promote establish an international, educational accreditation systems, recognized by Eastern and Western higher educationalists; namely to British, Philippine or American university status.

To establish working links both nationally and internationally with all Government offices, such as Municipal officials and other agencies, Barangay Police officials, Social workers, magistrates, governors, Sheriffs. Wardens and congressmen including schools, colleges and universities, to assist the objectives of the corporation.

To work towards a program of work placements for inmates seeking Conditional Pardon and Parole.

To assist in the reintegration of rehabilitated prisoners into society and their families by building up the family morally and economically, especially by establishing prison and community development programs that provide skills training and employment. Not only within and family homes but also in the prisons, villages and communities. To develop such programs that promotes self-reliance and self-help livelihood projects, most especially in areas, where there is social deterioration and dehumanising conditions that led to crime and social dysfunctionality.

To promote and seek to establish Co-operative Building Societies to assist

members of the ministry to buy their own building lots and construct their own homes.

To assist victims suffering from all forms of abuse including, crime, alcohol, drug and sexual discrimination.

To coordinate with non-government organizations and concerned government agencies to fully implement the rights and welfare of humanity as embodied in the United Nations' Declaration on Human Rights.

To do all other things or acts that is necessary or may be conducive to the attainment, promotion and development of the above stated purposes.

Secondary Purposes

Rehabilitation and Reintegration

To provide

Educational activities

Including computer and "State of the Arts" digital and analogue electronic technologies, which includes video and audio recording mechanisms, to educate prisoners in terms of personal morality and responsible parenting, husband and wife and parent child relationships and total family care.

To provide appropriate assistance

To Inmates and the family members when engaged in they're sent ministry or mission work.

To assist socially disadvantaged families

To develop their capacity for responsible parenthood, assist in the reintegration of convicted criminals to society, initiate livelihood projects and skilled training for family and prison and Cottage Industries

To assist in the provision of proven ways of

Moral reform

By encouraging sent ministers to testify of their own personal reformation experience.

To use every legitimate means of evangelising and serve the prisoners, and family members, on matters affecting their spiritual, moral, social and civil lives.

To assist qualified personnel in visa applications wishing to work abroad on ministry work.

To encourage volunteers to be involved in local and international ministry and mission work. This will include seeking to establish the ministry objectives in all the nations of the world.

To encourage membership of prisons inmates with local churches as outlined in general objectives.

To assist and encourage the integration of inmates into churches, colleges

and institutes of learning at local, national and international levels.

To broadcast and publish books videos, music and teaching materials for education, training and instruction to achieve the Incorporator's objectives. To make use of the latest communication technologies for teaching and instruction for the furtherance of the gospel of Christ.

Article 3

Address of Principle Office

That the place where the Principle Office of the association is to be established is at: The Trojan Horse Office, Blk5 Lot 45, Puerto Galera St. Camellia 4a Muntinlupa City. The Regional Official Postal Address in the Philippines being NBP Reservation P.O., Muntinlupa City, 1770, Philippines. The International Office: 11 Hayling Close, Fareham, Hampshire, and PO14 3AE. United Kingdom, Great Britain.

Article 4

Term of Association

The term for which the association is to exist is fifty (50) years from and after the date of issuance of the Certificate of Incorporation.

Article 5

Names and address's of Incorporators

That the name, nationality and residence of the incorporator's of the association are as follows:

Name	Nationality	Residence (Complete Address)
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David Clarke, British

11 Hayling Close, Fareham, Hampshire, PO14 3AE United Kingdom. Postal Local: NBP Reservation Post Office, Muntinlupa City, 1170, Philippines.

Jotlet L. Lopez

Filipino

181 San Guillermo St. Putatan, Muntinlupa City, 1772, Philippines.

Jonnet L. Lopez

Filipino,

181 San Guillermo St. Putatan, Muntinlupa City, 1772, Philippines.

Virginia C. Caranay

Filipino

Muntinlupa City



Dolores S Nave (Secretary Dolores-Now Clarke)
Filipino, Blk5 Lot 45, Puerto Galera St. Camellia 4a,
 Muntinlupa City.

Article 6

Number of Trustees

That the number of trustees shall be five (5) and the names and residence of the Trustees of the corporation duly elected and who are to serve until their successors are elected and qualified as provided for in the By-laws are as follows, to wit:

Name	Nationality	Residence (Complete Address)
David Clarke, PO14 3AE	British	11 Hayling Close, Fareham, Hampshire,

United Kingdom. Postal Local: NBP Reservation Post Office, Muntinlupa City, 1170, Philippines.

Jotlet L. Lopez	Filipino,	181 San Guillermo St. Putatan, Muntinlupa City, 1772, Philippines.
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Jonnet L. Lopez	Filipino,	181 San Guillermo St. Putatan, Muntinlupa City, 1772, Philippines.
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Dolores S Nave (Secretary Dolores)	Filipino,	Blk5 Lot 45, Puerto Galera St. Camellia 4a, Muntinlupa City.
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Article 7

The Powers

The above named Corporation herein and after called Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated and its chairman shall have the following powers:

To receive and acquire donations, subsidies, grants, endowments concessions, bequests, voluntary contributions and whatever properties real or personal, in cash or in kind, from individuals, partnerships corporations, or institutions, of any kind and from Government entities and to hold, us dispose of the same in any manner pertaining to the purpose and objectives of the corporation, known as Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils.

Incorporated.

To engage in all for public support so as to provide funds in ways authorized by law, to finance Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils Incorporated.

To acquire and poses real estate and movable properties and to sell lease, or rent either absolutely or in trust as far as deemed necessary for the efficient operation of the ministry named above except for property given for a specific purpose.

To enter into contracts and arrangements of any kind and nature to advance and achieve the goals and objectives of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated.

To engage in livelihood projects and to do all things of a business nature to promote objectives set out in these articles.

To invest according to law in stocks and shares, debentures and all kinds of security issued by any person, Group Corporation and the Philippine Government and us the funds generated for the stated purpose of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated.

Articles 8

Contributions

The following incorporator's and directors who are also members of the association as follows contributed the capital of the association:

NAME	CONTRIBUTION
Virinia C. Caranay	10,000.00
Jorlita L. Lopez	10,000.00
Jonnet L. Lopez	10,000.00
Dolores A. Nava	10,000.00
David Clarke	10,000.00

Articles 9

Voting Powers

The names listed above are the members of the Board and all having voting power when gathered together for meeting. A list of additional members who may be admitted in accordance with the By-Laws shall be submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission from time to time.

Articles 10

Direction of Funds

That a least sixty (60%) of it's gross income as defined in the Revised

Internal Revenue Code, and unrestricted donations, shall be devoted to undertaking, directly financing, or funding Co-operative Building Society funds, or assisting mission officers in their respective ministries and for pure, fundamental or applied research, development work, and or economic evaluation or granting scholar ships for scientific or professional chair in any or all of the following fields:

- A Law
- B Theological Studies
- C Industry
- C Social Science & Humanities
- D Computer Science
- E Communications
- F Biology & Physical Science
- G Nursing & Medical Education

Articles 11

General Administration Funding

That not more than thirty (30%) per cent of the gross income and not more than ten (10%) per cent of the unrestricted donations to the ministry shall be devoted to general and administrative expenses.

Articles 12

Named Treasurer

That Virginia C. Caranay has been elected by the Incorporator's as Treasurer of the Corporation to act as such until her successor is elected and qualified in accordance with the By-laws and that as such Treasurer, she has been authorized to receive for the Corporation any funds donated to it and to receipt in the Corporation's name all such donations forthcoming.

Articles 13

Compensation, Salary and Rewards

Directors and all other officers of the said corporation shall not receive any compensation, salary or rewards unless the Board of Directors shall so provide and as outlined in the By-laws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HERETO SET OUR HANDS AND SIGNED THESE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION THIS THIRD DAY OF MARCH 2003 (03/03/03). IN THE CITY OF MUNTINLUPA.

NAME:

1 Dolores A. Nava 2 Jorlita L. Lopez

3 Jonnet L. Lopez 4 Virginia C. Caranay

5 David Clarke

Signed in the presence of:

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00 Membership

Section 1: Qualification of Membership

Any person, club, association, or organization or corporation, who wishes to forward and promote the purposes and aim of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils, Incorporated and is willing to support, donate, sustain and help its program in any way is welcome as a member. (When using the term support this may simple mean having good will and prayerfully regard the cause of the ministry).

Section 2: Membership

Membership shall be through voluntary application, recommendation, assignment or invitation by the members of the board of Directors, officials and trustees of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated.

Section 3: Types of Membership

There shall be three (3) types of membership, honorary membership, Sustaining membership and Regular membership.

Honorary membership- the Board of Directors shall invite Honorary members from civic leaders, Government officials, Private citizens and Churches, who have shown a great concern for the cause of Christ and the rehabilitation of convicted criminals and concern for the social problems of the community caused by the sad effects of crime and moral disorder.

Sustaining membership- any benefactor corporate or otherwise as mentioned in Section 1 of this article who is willing to donate not less than One Thousand Pesos (Php. 1000.00) or its equivalent in pounds of dollars, every year to sustain the work of the Foundation is considered a Sustaining Member and a certificate of Appreciation shall be awarded.

Regular Membership – individuals or entities mentioned in section 1 of

this article who are willing to contribute any indefinite amount of time to serve the Ministry in any useful and approve way, are considered Regular Members and their name shall be respectfully and carefully noted in the records of the Ministry.

Section 4: Privileges and Responsibility

All active members of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, shall be entitled to enjoy what ever facility the Ministry may have and shall be welcome at all times at those facilities where they shall be honoured in a worm fitting manner.

01 Meetings

Section 1: Annual Meeting

The Board of Directors or Chairman of the Board shall hold in the Office of the Ministry or in any place as may be arranged the annual meeting of the Board of Directors. It is planned that Teleconferencing, via the Internet be developed for this purpose. This will facilitate international development of the ministry.

The date, time and venue or Internet Address shall be the second (2nd) Saturday of the month of January each year at 3.00 P.M. or any date and time fixed by the Board of Directors to be specified in the Notice when a quorum can be present.

Section 2: Special Meetings

The chairman of the Board of Directors may call special meeting whenever there is urgent necessity for it and the time and place shall be specified to all members.

Section 3: Notice of Meetings

The date, time and venue of the meeting shall be decided by the Board of Directors or called by the Chairman as necessary. The Secretary shall issue written notices to all members at least one week in advance of the scheduled meeting. (E-mail notification and communications are sanctioned).

Section 4: Quorum

A simple majority of the members present or by proxy shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in those cases where the Corporation requires a number of affirmative votes of a greater portion, but in the absence of a quorum, the members may adjourn the meeting for any time.

Section 5: Voting Members

Only the members are entitled to vote and be voted upon either in person or by proxy. Each voting member is entitled to only one vote. In case of as proxy, a written authority shall be exhibited to the Board and shall be filed with the Secretary.

Section 6 : Election of The Board

An election to the Board of Directors shall be held during the Annual Meeting on the second Saturday of January every year.

Section 7: Order of Business

The annual meeting of the voting members shall follow the Following:

Order of business:

- 1 Call to order by the Chairman
- 2 Proof of the requirement notice of the meeting;
- 3 Certification of quorum;
- 4 Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and action taken thereof;
- 5 Annual report of the Treasurer;
- 6 Annual report of the Chairman;
- 7 Official Report of the Official concerned;
- 8 Transaction of pending and new business;
- 9 Election of the Board of Directors;
- 10 Proclamation of the elected Board of Trustees;
- 11 Other business;
- 12 Adjournment.

02 The Board Of Directors

Section 1: Composition, Controlling Powers

The direct government and controlling body of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, is vested on the Board of Directors as elected by the voting members during the annual Meeting held every year.

Section 2: Tenure of Office of the Board Members

The elected members of the Board shall serve for one (1) year and shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and have qualified or until removed from office by a 2/3 vote of the voting members. Any member may be re-elected by the Board.

Section 3: Remuneration Of Board Members

Members of the Board of Directors shall not receive any compensation or reward for their services to Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils.

Incorporated, their services being essentially gratuitous unless such member is working full time to bring about the purpose and aim of the Ministry and has no other regular form of income. Such a member may be allowed a reasonable per diem for his /her living expenses as will be determined by the Board.

03 Meetings of Board of Directors

Section 1: Regular Meetings

There shall be a Regular quarterly meeting (which may be by Teleconferencing) of the Board of Directors, the date, time and place to be designated by the Chairman

Section 2: Special Meetings

Special meetings shall be Held any time upon call of the Chairman Or any three Board Members for the purpose of discussing urgent and important matters.

Section 3: Quorum

In all the regular meetings or special meeting of the Board, the presence of a simple majority shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4: Place Of Meeting

All meetings shall be held at any place appointed by the Chairmen unless otherwise specified in the written notice sent by the Secretary designating any other place.

Section 5: Notice Of Meetings

The secretary shall notify all members of the Board by sending out written notices of any regular or special meetings, at least five days before such meeting for the purpose therein stated.

Section 6: Order Of Business

For every meeting of the Board, the order to the meeting shall be as Follows:

- 1 Call to order by the Chairman;
- 2 Proof of the requirement notice of the meeting;
- 3 Certification of a quorum;
- 4 Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and action taken thereof;
- 5 Report of the following officers: (1) Secretary (2) Treasure (3) Directors (4) Committee Chairmen (5) Other reports from the Members of the Board

- 6 Remarks of the Chairman
- 7 Unfinished Business
- 8 New business
- 9 Adjournment

Section 7: Minutes Of The Meetings

The Secretary shall prepare the minutes of meeting or anybody designated by the Chairman in case of the absence of the Secretary. The time date and place of the meeting, the name of the members present and absent;

04 Functions Board Of Directors

Section 1: Implementation Of The Objectives

The Board of Directors shall take full responsibility in the implementation of the basic, major and general objectives and goals of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, as stated in the Articles of Incorporation.

Section 2: Promulgate Policies

The Board of Directors shall establish, fortunate and promulgate rules and regulations, and the policies for the guidance and execution of the staff and personnel of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated.

Section 3: Appoint Staff Officers And Personnel

The Board shall select, appoint, and direct the overall work of the staff officers and personnel of the Ministry; outline and determine their duties, responsibility and salaries in accordance with the approved budget; investigate or dismiss erring employees and do such things as it deems fit to regulate and promote the objectives of the Ministry.

All personal must be aware of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporation Articles of Religion, which are annexed to this document. These article are not meant to cause division but direct the ministry to achieve its objectives. Difficulties arising from misunderstanding or objection to these articles may be resolved by recourse to the Director of Education or the visiting professors.

All staff will be encouraged to work Internationally.

Section 4: Inspire Confidence

Competence And Prestige

The Board shall inspire confidence, competence and prestige by just and fair actuations with all staff personnel and members of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated.

Section 5: Act Of Reports

The Board shall act on reports submitted by the Staff officers or employees to study certain assignments for the benefits of the Ministry.

Section 6: Work Opportunities

To provide for work opportunities released inmate so that they may be able to earn their own livelihood. Some profitable home industries may be established within the prison compounds so as to accommodate the rehabilitated inmates and their families and improve their skills and techniques on particular projects as preparation for possible Permanent employment. Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, shall contact other firms and establishment for possible placement and permanent employment of rehabilitated released inmates so as to be able to help them earn sufficient income for themselves, their families and improve their social, economic, and living conditions.

Section 7: Fund Campaigns

To assume responsibilities in the formulation of vigorous fund campaign and financial assistance to increase adequate finances for the expansion and development program and to maintain the various activities of the Ministry.

Section 8: Enter Into Contracts And Obligations

To enter into contracts, obligations or other important matters essential to the aims and objectives for which the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated.

Section 9: Provide Realistic And Economic Budget

To provide a realistic, economic, adequate and sufficient annual budget for the normal overhead operational expenditures of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, setting aside sufficient revolving funds for the development and maintenance of various income producing projects and for some emergency funds for unexpected exigencies.

Section 10: Security Measures For Personnel

To provide enough security and continuity of work for the old and experienced personnel, employees and other wage earners to avoid disruption of established routine and efficiency due to changes of employment. To do all possible within the budget to provide further training and personal development of staff.

05 Officers The Board Of Trustees

Section 1: The Officers

The Board of Trustees shall meet within a month after their election to elect their officers: Chairman, vice – chairman, Secretary, Treasure and an Outreach Officer (Trojan Warrior)

Section 2: Vacancies

In case of death, disability, resignation or suspension of any member or officer of the Board, the Board Members, if still constituting a quorum, shall elect for themselves a successor who shall hold office for the duration of the unexpired term of the officer or member removed.

06 Duties And Responsibilities

Of Each Officer Of The Board

Section 1: The Chairman

He / She shall preside in all regular and special meetings of the voting Members and all meetings of the Board of Trustees

He / She shall sign all the minutes of such meetings prepared and attested By the Secretary

He / She shall decide on all matters pertaining to the social, executive, and Legal functions of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, presented by the Executive Director

He / She shall sign very important papers, documents, contracts and Communications that required his / her signature as the highest official of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated

He / She shall represent the Ministry on occasions whenever it should be presented in public or private functions as its highest official.

He/ She shall delegate some of his/her social functions to the Vice-Chairman or to the Executive Director in case of his/her inability to attend

He/She shall appoint all Staff Officers, and other important official whose Appointments are subject to the confirmation of the Board in accordance with the provisions of this By-Laws

He/She shall appoint other officials and minor employees without sanction Of the Boards, provided he/she acts on the recommendations of the authorized officials after proper screening and selecting only the most qualified applicants suitable to occupy vacant positions

He/ Shall prepare and submit his/her annual report to the meeting of voting Members at the end of the fiscal year based on a consolidated progress report of all the Executive and Staff Officers;

He/ She shall perform other such powers and duties appertaining to his/ her

official position as may be authorized or designated to him/ her by the Board He/She shall turn over his/her office and all his/her prerogatives and Functions to his/her successor upon the latter's election or appointment as Chairman of the Board.

Section 2: The Vice- Chairman

The Vice-Chairman shall discharge the duties of the chairman in the latter's absence or inability to perform his/her duties and responsibilities. He/She shall perform such other duties delegated or assigned to him/her by the Chairman of the Board

Section 3: The Secretary

The Secretary who must be a Filipino citizen and a resident of the Philippines (or in the case of a development in another country be a national of the country) shall take charge of the Secretariat, including all offices and employees assigned therein as a Division of the Administrative Department under the Administrative Officer;

He/She shall keep accurate records of all meetings of the Board and the meeting of the voting members; He / She shall send notices of all meetings of the voting members;

He / She shall be the Custodian of the Corporate Seal and all furniture's, machines equipment's, and other properties of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated assigned to his/ her custody.

He / She shall keep a complete list of all the members with their latest addresses;

He / She shall perform such other duties as the Board may require;

Upon the election or appointment of his / her successor, he / she shall turn over to him / her all books and properties belonging to the Trojan Horse Ministry that he / she may have in his / her possession.

Section 4: The Treasurer

The treasurer who shall be bonded in the amount to be determined by the board shall take charge of all offices and employees assigned therein as the Finance Division under the Administrative Department, directly controlled and supervised by the Administrative Director.

He / She shall coordinate with the fund campaign Manager to facilitate a systematic handling of funds collected during the day and other financial matters that may be turned over to his / her custody at any time.

He / She shall be in custody of all money, in cash, money deposited in the banks with deposit books, valuable documents, contracts securities and other important papers assigned to him / her by the Chairman and the Board of Directors;

He / She shall keep complete records of all cash receipts, Vouchers and disbursements made by him / her and other officers authorized to transact business for and in behalf of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated.

He / She shall make a monthly report of the cash position of the Ministry to be submitted at the end of every two months to the Board of Directors and to prepare the annual balance sheet and financial statement, and other necessary reports to be submitted to the Board at its annual meeting and to such other time as the Auditors may so require;

He / She shall deposit all funds collected and endorse all checks received in the name of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, with any reputable Bank selected by the Board;

He / She shall make withdrawals in checks prepared by him/ her and supported authorized vouchers to be countersigned by the Chairman or the Executive Director;

He / She shall turn over all money, valuable papers, securities, books of account and other properties belonging to the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, that he / she has in his / her possession to his / her successor upon his / her election or appointments.

07 The Executive Staff Officers

SECTION 1: Elected Officers

The Executive Officers of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated shall be the elected officers of the Board of Directors, composed of the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.

SECTION 2: The Staff Officers – shall be composed of the Executive Directors and the Department Heads and their assistants.

SECTION 3: Their Appointments – The Staff Officers named above shall be appointed by the Chairman and confirmed by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4: Tenure of Office – The Staff Officers shall have an indefinite tenure of office until removed for cause, incapacity, resignation or death.

08 Duties And Responsibilities

Of The Executive And Staff Officers

Sections 1: The Chairman

Aside from his / her duties and responsibilities as enumerated in Section 1, Article VII of the By-Laws, the Chairman as the highest officer of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Incorporated, shall perform his / her ministerial duties of supervising the work and activities of all employees, inspire them to do their best in performing their duties and responsibilities with proper decorum, dignity, integrity and decency. He / She shall

encourage them to practice cooperation, loyalty, honest and efficiency, to ensure a successful service to the Ministry.

Section 2: The Secretary

Aside from his / her duties and responsibilities enumerated in Section 3, Article VII of this By – Laws, the Secretary shall perform such other duties assigned to him / her by the Chairman, Executive Director and the Administrative Director.

Section 3: The Treasurer

In addition to his / her duties and responsibilities as stated in Section 4, Article VII of this / her By-Laws, the Treasurer shall supervise all incoming producing projects and all other activities assigned to him / her by the Chairman, Executive Director and the Administrative Director.

Section 4: The Executive Director

The most important qualification of the Executive Directors is that he / she must be a capable executive with the ability and willingness to devote all his / her time and energy for the promotion of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP Phils. Incorporated will greatly contribute to his / her progress, dignity and prestige;

He / She shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors as a member. He / She shall present the Staff Officers in all meetings and shall participate in all discussions and deliberations. He / She shall act as the technical adviser of the Board on Administrative management;

He / She shall assist the Chairman in preparing his / her ministerial functions by putting everything in order so as to facilitate action and decision in accordance with Chairman's prerogatives as stated in Section 1, Articles VII of this By- Laws;

The Executive Director shall act, decide and execute all the Chairman's ministerial functions in his / her absence or incapacity and sign all routine and important papers for the Chairman, until the Board has designated or elected a new Chairman;

He / She shall have a direct controlling power in the administration and supervision of all departments, divisions, sections and offices of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, in accordance with the lines of authority as defined in the organization chart.

He / She shall implement, execute and enforce all laws, policies, rules and promulgations as provided in this By-Laws and those that will be promulgated by the Board from time to time;

He / She shall approve and sign all disbursements, checks and vouchers drawn against the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated,

and such ordinary documents, contracts, important papers, correspondences and other legal matters that are considered routine and necessary procedures that require his / her approval and signature.

He / She shall exercise general supervisions over all officers, employees, and wage earners working with the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated.

He / She shall cause the updating of the books of account and records and shall be responsible for the production of the same at the Time of audit or for inspection and inquiry by any authority;

He / She shall mediate and alleviate the tension of any misunderstanding, rivalry, competition, and any form of trouble developed between individuals, groups, or parties within the confines and environment of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated.

He / She shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him / her From time to time by the Chairman and the Board of Directors.

Section 5: The Social Services

& Development director

The Social Services & Development Director shall take charge of the Social Services & Development Department with all its divisions (Education and Rehabilitation), sections including and offices assigned under it as specified in the organization chart.

He / She shall recommend for approval of the Board of Directors the appointment of competent personnel;

It is intended that He/She shall initiate the development of suitable interesting projects that are profitable and income producing for the rehabilitation of released prisoner and all other patients: He / She shall also encourage various activities that enhance the welfare and practical education of rehabilitated release prisoners and their families. He / She shall initiate and direct the seminar for parents, see that there are reconciliation activities between residents, and find ways to integrate released inmates into the free society. These activities will be co-ordinate with community-based programs of the Ministry.

He / She shall initiate the preparation of the schedule of suitable programmers to be presented monthly or as often as demanded and may be composed of social or recreational activities. He / She shall encourage interested participants to develop their talents by presenting well rehearsed parts and nicely prepared programs so as to gain the admiration and appreciation of the audience;

He/ She shall submit to the Board a report of the different projects and activities under his / her department from time to time so they may be

able to evaluate their achievements and initiate improvements and other suggestions;

He / She shall perform such other duties and responsibilities appertaining to his / her office or as may be authorized by the Chairman, Executive Director, and the Board of Directors.

Section 6: The Alternative Livelihood

And Marketing Development Director

He / She shall encourage the formation of small producer groups having the same inclinations, experiences and mutual interests so they can work together in developing new designs, devices, gadgets and other functional products made from indigenous materials;

He / She shall organize the sheltered workshops where various industrial product may be developed, mass produced and marketed locally and in the prisons and exported abroad;

He / She shall submit to the Board a report of the different projects and activities under his / her department from time to time so they may be able to evaluate their achievements and initiate improvements and other suggestions;

He / She shall act as the social and economic advisor of the board, suggest suitable activities for different occasions, propose the creation of other income – producing project that will help develop the aims and objectives of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated.

He / She shall perform such other duties and responsibilities appertaining to his / her office or as may be authorized by the Chairman, Executive Director, and the Board of Director, and the Board of Directors.

09 Organization

TROJAN HORSE INTERNATIONAL

(TULIP) PHILS. INCORPORATED

Section 1: Number Of Departments

There shall be four (4) departments:

1 General Administration

And Finance Management Department

2 The Social Services

(Education And Rehabilitation)

And Educational Development (Education and Rehabilitation) Department

3 The Community Welfare

And Alternative Livelihood Development Department.

4 The Fair Trade Products And Alternative Marketing

5 General Administration And Finance Management Department

His / her department shall take charge of all employees, their welfare, and training. It will take charge of the financial aspects of the Foundation, such as records and fund-raising; it shall also be responsible for such things as public relation and program management. This department will be under the direct supervision of the Treasurer assisted by the Executive Director.

Section 2 Social Services And Educational

DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Division 1: Education

Under the Social Services and Educational Development Department is the Education Section, which shall take charge of leadership training and promotion of all programs of learning for its members. Each member and officer will be required to undergo programs of education. This service will be provide by elected visiting Professor's who will draw from the advice and expertise in private and government agencies and formulate effective ways to communicate the positive messages to prevent crime and moral decay and other community or social ills. The department will coordinate educational visits, seminars for the ministry and issue newsletters to disseminate information to the general public especially to the media.

Division 2: Rehabilitation

This section shall be responsible for working along side the Department of Justice and Bureau of Correction rehabilitation Programs. It is also responsible for operating the drop-in counselling and outpatient rehabilitation service. It shall be under the control of the **Rehabilitation Director** and under the direct supervision of the Executive Director. It is a department that shall take all steps to establish a program for rehabilitation, taking care to incorporate all the disciplines into coordinated program. The program shall be based on a Multi – Disciplinary approach within a Therapeutic Community and shall have the following sub-sections:

Sub – division 1: Social Activities – which shall plan social activities, entertainment, and cultural and educational activities. It shall look to coordinating literary and musical programs. It shall promote writing, reading, paintings, selected TV and movie viewing, discussions and seminars on cultural and other subjects of light and interesting matters. It shall coordinate with the other sections.

Sub – division 2: Recreational – this / her section of the overall programs shall be responsible for organizing games and recreational activities of all

kinds, Music and art projects, indoor games such as chess, ping pong, etc. Also, it shall be responsible for outing, excursions, hiking, and swimming. Gymnastics, basketball. BMX, Skate Boarding and other such activities that help to physically rehabilitate people effected by social evils.

Sub- division 3: Occupational Therapy – This section shall be guided and directed by the professional advice and assistance of technical experts and shall provide the most suitable occupational therapy. These occupations shall be only for clients fifteen (15) years of age and of short duration. There shall be no activity that can be mistaken or misconstrued as child labour.

Sub-division 4: Therapeutic Community - this / her section shall take special care to organize the training of the residents in the way of life of the Rehabilitation House where they shall learn to live together with mutual respect and loving concern. The Rehabilitation Director will take special care that the group therapies are correctly supervised and well managed. He / She shall organize proper discipline in the community and see to it that all sections of the Rehabilitation Programs are well taken care of.

Sub-division 5: The Medical Division – this is a section that draws on the professional from every related medical field. The Rehabilitation Directors will see to it with the direct supervision of the Executive Director, that such professional help as Psychologist, Psychiatrists, competent Doctors of Medicine, Physicians, Dentist and hospital facilities are readily available on a regular basis. The Social Welfare Worker will be cooperated within the local community and everything will be done to assist this / her officer in the follow – up and after – care programs.

Sub-division 6: The After Care Program – this will work alongside the probation officer care program and will be developed to see to it that the family is well prepared to receive the rehabilitated inmates. Family reconciliation and after – care will be interconnected. Inmates returning to their families will be followed up and home visits will be made. Any indication that the inmate is being abused or causing abuse or is in danger of any ill treatment shall reported and immediate action taken by the rehabilitation Officer and Executive Director to the family, society and inmate. The incident will be reported to the authorities; other after care activities will be undertaken.

3 The Community Welfare

And Alternative Livelihood Development Department.

This is related and integrated into other rehabilitation program and serve as the component directly dealing with community beneficiaries. The thrust of this program is both preventive and remedial. The program entails the development of livelihood projects and undertakings suitable to the community and with significant potentials for sustainability on a long term

– period. The program has an objective in Building up the capability of the people in the prisons and community and improving their economic independence. The program is a flexible one that can adapt to the numerous changes occurring in community life.

4 The Fair Trade Products

AND ALTERNATIVE MARKETING

This program is tasked with the marketing and production aspects of the crafts program. The program spans development of products, artisans development, social education for producer partners, assistance in the form of technical support and financial loan for productions, this also includes aspects of operation which as worldwide marketing (export, shipment, retail and other related activities) though alternative trading organizations and partners who share the same vision of justice in trading and community empowerment. The Fair Trade Products and Alternative Marketing Program aims to promote just practices in trading by popularizing the Fair Trading concept and assisting producer partners in achieving the latter's goal of improvement in their economic lives and gaining broader awareness of their basic rights as members of the community.

5 Co-Operative Building Society

This is intended to assist rehabilitated inmate and members to purchase and build their own homes.

10 Finances

Section 1: Sources

The revenues of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated shall be derived from membership dues, voluntary contributions, donations of civic-spirited citizens and institutions, financial aids from various sources. Gains derived from benefit shows, dances, dinner and other forms of entertainments and also from grants, bequest, subsidies and other fund sources received by the Ministry from time to time.

Section 2: Minor Expenses

Minor expenses of not more than Php 5,000.00 (or as directed by the Board of Directors of the County it is operating in) shall be incurred without prior approval and written consent of the Board. However all expenses must be approved by a signed voucher by the Executive Director or the Staff Officer designated by him / her to make such disbursements. Necessary supplies and materials, drugs medicines, apparatus, tools, medical equipment's and machines needed in the projects shall be canvassed to verify and evaluate quotations from various dealers before deciding to purchase them.

Section 3: Safekeeping Of Funds

The funds of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated shall be deposited in reputable banking institutions to be fixed and designated by the Board and as the changing financial situation demands the Executive Director or Board Chairperson shall safeguard the ministry assets and funds.

All matters concerning the disposition of money of funds shall be taken up and decided by the Board of Directors during its meeting called for his / her purpose.

The Board is empowered to allocate funds for the appropriations and maintenance of different projects of Trojan Horse and set aside sufficient revolving funds for income producing projects that may need capital for their initial operation expenses.

Withdrawal shall be made only after the Executive Director has approved the vouchers properly and that a check is then prepared with the joint and concurrent act of the Chairman and the Treasurer.

Section 4: Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Incorporation shall be fro January 1st to December 31st of each year.

11 Amendments of Laws

These by-laws or any provision therein may be amended or repealed by a majority vote of all members and majority vote of all members of the Board of Directors.

Adopted this day March 6th 2003 in Muntinlupa City M.M. By the majority of Directors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand this 17th Day of June 2003

In Muntinlupa City, Metro Manila.

DOLORES A. NAVA

JORLITA L. LOPEZ

JONNET L. LOPEZ

VIRGINIA C. CARANAY

DAVID CLARKE

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12 Verification Of The Chairman

And Founding Director

Republic of the Philippines)

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I, **David Clarke**, of legal age, resident of, 207 San Guillermo Street, Putatan, and Muntinlupa City, Metro Manila, Philippines. My Regional Philippines Postal address being, NBP Reservation PO, Muntinlupa City, 1770, Philippines and International United Kingdom address, 11 Hayling Close, Fareham, Hampshire, PO143AE, England, United Kingdom. After duly sworn to in accordance with law, depose and say:

I am the Founding Director of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated, which is a ministry.

That I personally prepared these Articles of Incorporation with facts known to me, and in the fear of the Lord.

I Believe that I was directed by the Lord Jesus Christ to the Philippines in the year 2001 to found this ministry, as outlined in these Articles of Incorporation. All of which are not inconsistent with the Laws of the Philippine Republic or its own **primary** and **secondary** objectives and its by-laws.

Any allegation and statement in Articles of Incorporation are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I believe that this Ministry will serve the purpose to which it was designed (Set Captives Free and honour Christ) as long as my successors and appointed officers take on their respective roles and position in the fear of the Lord and not man. That they walk by faith and not by sight, in this work of defence and the furtherance of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

DAVID CLARKE

Founding Director

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this day 6th March 2003, affiant exhibited me his Res. Cert. No. CG1202 07278460. Issued Muntinlupa City 02/26/03.

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13 Secretary's Certificate

I, DOLORES A. NAVA, of legal age, and duly elected and authorised to act as Secretary for Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated,

after being duly sworn to in accordance in law, depose and say that I hereby certify that this Ministry will comply with SEC requirements for non-stock organisation in the course of its operation. I shall be responsible for the keeping of the minutes of all the meetings of the Ministry as well as the seal of the Ministry and affix such seal when authorised by the Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this day 17th June 2003 At Muntinlupa City, Metro Manila.

DOLORES A. NAVA

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS JUNE 17th 2003. Affiant shown to me her Res. Certificate No. CC 1202072784739, issued at Muntinlupa City on 02/07/03.

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01 Board Of Director' S Certification

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, the undersigned Secretary and Members of the Board of Director of the Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated hereby certify that the above Code of By-Laws was adopted by the affirmative vote of all members at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Trojan Horse International held on the 17th June 2003, 181 San Guillermo Street, Putatan, Muntinlupa City, 1772, Philippines.

Name Nationality and Residence (Complete Address)



David Clarke, British 11 Hayling Close, Fareham Hampshire, PO14 3AE United Kingdom. Postal Local: NBP Reservation Post Office, Muntinlupa City, 1170, Philippines.

Jotlet L. Lopez

Filipino, 181 San Guillermo St. Putatan, Muntinlupa City, 1772, Philippines.

Jonnet L. Lopez

Filipino, 181 San Guillermo St. Putatan, Muntinlupa City, 1772, Philippines.

Virginia C. Caranay

Filipino, Muntinlupa City



Dolores S Nave (Secretary Dolores) **Now Clarke**, **Filipino**, Blk5 Lot 45, Puerto Galera St. Camellia 4a, Muntinlupa City.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereto set our hand this day:

DOLORES A. NAVA Secretary

JONNET L. LOPEZ Incorporator

JORLITA L. LOPEZ Incorporator

VIRGINIA C. CARANAY Treasure

DAVID CLARKE Founding Chairman

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NAME: DOLORES A. NAVA (Secretary Dolores)

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03 Secretarial Certification

ATTESTED BY ME

Secretary in meeting.

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
MUNTINLUPA CITY) S.S

On this 17th Day of June 2003, before me, a Notary Public in and of the City of Muntinlupa, Personally appeared before, with their respective Residence Certificates as follows:

NAME of issue	RES. TAX Cet	Date an place
Dolores Nave Muntinlupa City	CC120207278439	0 2 / 0 7 / 0 3
Jorlata L/ Lopez 03/03/03 Muntinlupa City	CC 1201207286078	
Jonnet L. Lopez 03/03/03 Muntinlupa City	CC 120207272731	
Virginia C. Caranay Muntinlupa City	CC 120207164085	0 9 / 2 7 / 0 3
David Clarke Muntinlupa City	CC 120207278460	0 2 / 2 6 / 0 3

All of whom are known to me and to be persons whose names are subscribed and are execute the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and each of these acknowledge to me the he/she has voluntary executed the same.

WITNESS MY HAND and by NOTARIAL SEAL on the date in this acknowledgement written in the Municipality of Muntinlupa City, Philippines.

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APPENDIX 01 TROJAN HORSE INTERNATIONAL

Articles of Religion

We maintain:

That the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are given by inspiration of God and are the only rule of faith and practice and that these scriptures reveal the one true and only God who is self existent, infinite and eternal. That there are three self existent co-eternal persons in the Godhead namely the Father the Son and the Holy Ghost and these three are one God and that the Lord Jesus Christ is very God and very man in one glorious complex person.

That God is the creator and sustainer of both spiritual and material worlds.

That the eternal purpose of God in Christ is to manifest his glory.

That Before the world began God did elect a certain number of the human race unto everlasting life and salvation whom He did predestine to the adoption of Children by Jesus Christ of his own free grace and according to the good pleasure of His will.

That God created the first man Adam upright and all his posterity fell in him. Adam was responsible for the fall of humanity.

The effect of the fall left mankind ruined; this included his mind will and affections. Both Adam and his wife Eve were affected in different ways.

That the Lord Jesus Christ in the fullness of time became incarnate and that he really suffered and died as the substitute for his people (the whole world a term used in scripture, expressing both Jew and Gentile). He made all the satisfaction for their sins, which the law and justice of God could require as well as made a way for the bestowments of all those blessings, which are needful for them for time and eternity.

That the justification of Gods elect is only by the righteousness of Christ imputed to them and received by faith without consideration of any works of righteousness done by them and that the full and free pardon of all there sins and transgressions is only through the full free pardon of all their sins and transgressions is only through the blood of Christ according to the riches of Gods grace.

That the eternal redemption which Christ hath obtained by the shedding of his blood is special and particular that it is only and intentionally designed for the elect of God who only can share its spiritual blessings.

That regeneration, conversion, sanctification and faith are the work of the Almighty efficacious and invincible grace of God the Holy Ghost.

That marriage was ordained of God to reflect the relationship between Christ and his Church.

That all those chosen by the Father, redeemed by the Son and sanctified by the Spirit shall certainly and finally persevere unto eternal life.

There is and was resurrection of the dead of the just and the unjust and that Christ will come a second time to judge the quick and the dead. There is everlasting punishment for sinners outside of Christ and He will introduce His own people into His kingdom and Glory where they shall be for ever with Him.

That baptism of believers by immersion and the Lords Supper are ordinances of Christ to be continued until His coming again

For the consideration of Inmate Pastors

Teacher Training Collage, New Bilibid Prison

A Note From The Director.

May I suggest that articles of religion are not put up to cause division or controversy but rather to use them to prompt the truth, as it is in the Lord Jesus Christ? It is unreasonable to expect all people to see and agree on things, all at once for we all grow in grace and the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. Let every one be prepared to learn.

We could include the words that are used in baptism or dipping as follows. “ By the authority of Jesus (His name) I baptize you in the Name of Father Son and Holy Ghost.

I would like our Inmate Pastors to find scriptural quotations for references to the above articles of religion. This could be a study conducted for bible students and inmate pastors.

These Articles of Religion are those of the Bierton Strict and Particular Baptist Church founded in 1832 and that I joined in 1976

Concluding Note From David Clarke The Author

In the Daily Diary of Trojan Horse International (TULIP) Phils. Incorporated the back cover suggests that this diary serve to demonstrate the proposition that Jesus gave the command to go into the entire world and preach the gospel, in general rather than specific terms. He did not say how the task was to be done. David purports that the reason why no specific terms were given as to ow to go about this task was because had Jesus given a detail and specific schedule to those who were to carry out the mission it would have proved too daunting to them. So instead He left the methods and practices open to the imagination of men who had been renewed in

their minds by the Holy Spirit and with the directions of scripture, with spiritual understanding, would be led to do the work. By this means God would be glorified and often those with a carnal religious mind would be infuriated. It is only when one seeks to obey the command that is realized that wisdom, determination, courage, skill diplomacy and in fact every skill that man has devised in terms of dealing with money, travel, visa permits, medical practices local laws, legal practices and customs are required. These are not learned by reading a book.

This is not to say those people engaged in the mission will not make mistakes because they will. This is with good reason, for in their weakness they are enabled to look to the Lord, who is their strength, in order to provide all their needs, and so God is glorified. It is also a well known saying the , “He that makes no mistakes makes nothing”.

Lessons are learned by mistakes and arm chair critics, who never rise from their comfort zone or arm chair, are unaware that a ship can only be steered when it is on the move.

David Clarke

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