

APPENDIX 1: STATISTICS FROM 1995-1998

METHODIST CHURCH MEMBERSHIP - 1998

SUMMARY AND COMPARISON

	1995	1996	1997	1998 3 year Gain/Loss	
Community Roll	1239476	1205732	1179375	1155001	-84475
Membership	380269	371430	362584	353330	-26939
GAINS					3 Year Total
New Members	5809	5826	5438	4986	16250
Restored to Membership	1674	1478	1581	1455	4514
Balance of Transfers					
From other churches	48	34	23	5	62
From other Denom.	340	1825	454	249	2528
From Overseas	50	65	139	119	323
Ministers and Students Deacons	30	27	8	32 255	67 255
LOSSES					
Deaths	9950	10046	9995	9539	29580
Ceased to be Members	7322	7685	6419	6219	20323
Balance of Transfers					
To other circuits	-211	-363	-75	-347	-785
Garrisons	-17	0	0	-250	-250
Nett Loss	-9549	-8839	-8846	-9254	-26939
Baptisms	23995	22053	21142	18887	62082
Churches	6678	6613	6528	6452	-226
Ministers and Students Deacons and Students	3660	3687	3695	3727 255	67 255

BAPTISMS, NEW and REINSTATED MEMBERS - 1996 - 1998

	Baptisms < 13		Baptisms 13+		New Members		Re-instated		1998	
	1998	1997	1998	1997	1996	1997	1996	1997		
1 The London North-East District	1063	1006	740	30	22	25	248	213	231	87
2 The London North-West District	1139	935	1039	21	38	40	324	252	291	62
3 The London South-West District	961	929	807	46	55	22	337	446	252	94
4 The London South-East District	770	707	608	25	35	40	302	274	276	44
5 The Birmingham District	1076	1057	897	31	26	26	250	212	205	54
6 The Bolton and Rochdale District	327	357	277	8	7	11	99	142	165	21
7 The Bristol District	771	760	806	27	40	30	252	246	148	79
8 The South Wales District	564	548	572	33	26	23	167	180	128	37
9 The Cumbria District	247	248	219	5	3	2	82	45	34	21
10 The Channel Islands District	79	86	51	1	5	0	40	17	12	0
11 The Chester and Stoke-on-Trent District	1147	1083	976	19	14	6	237	207	209	47
12 The Cornwall District	468	485	428	21	15	12	172	141	146	33
13 The Darlington District	1010	877	784	9	9	23	162	96	144	49
14 The East Anglia District	531	543	463	21	18	28	183	156	169	27
15 The Isle of Man District	41	39	39	0	0	3	13	27	1	8
16 The Lincoln and Grimsby District	707	624	610	15	10	9	177	161	145	32
17 The Liverpool District	346	384	305	4	4	6	142	120	122	40
18 The Manchester and Stockport District	668	605	516	6	15	13	189	164	173	36
19 The Newcastle upon Tyne District	642	707	647	16	15	15	259	247	177	69
20 The North Lancashire District	1337	1437	1299	14	9	14	179	191	126	46
21 The North Lancashire and Derby District	456	470	393	15	7	5	214	145	191	48
22 The Nottingham and Derby District	813	627	623	15	38	23	225	243	232	65
23 The Oxford and Leicester District	437	396	371	17	32	18	243	237	185	71
24 The Plymouth and Exeter District	1457	1260	1114	23	25	25	263	248	155	60
25 The Sheffield District	646	702	555	12	18	22	183	192	170	59
26 The Southampton District	582	575	504	17	22	11	162	137	113	80
27 The West Yorkshire District	1279	1190	1058	13	17	27	192	193	209	33
28 The Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District	834	857	747	18	21	12	168	185	170	70
29 The York and Hull District	58	55	61	0	0	0	18	20	26	54
30 The Cymru District	139	112	65	17	8	12	37	26	60	0
31 The Scotland District	5	5	8	3	3	3	4	4	16	14
32 The Shetland District	168	170	151	3	6	3	72	28	60	2
33 The North Wales District	21517	20548	18349	536	594	538	5826	5438	4986	22
Totals:										1455

DEATHS and LAPSED MEMBERS BY DISTRICT - 1996 - 1998

	Deaths			Lapsed Members		
	1996	1997	1998	1996	1997	1998
1 The London North-East District	315	363	330	381	295	194
2 The London North-West District	336	338	322	427	311	242
3 The London South-West District	431	438	441	342	299	370
4 The London South-East District	346	342	321	366	238	268
5 The Birmingham District	380	375	332	343	262	252
6 The Bolton and Rochdale District	227	211	208	119	192	161
7 The Bristol District	347	378	309	372	230	262
8 The South Wales District	285	281	211	209	229	140
9 The Cumbria District	179	158	173	88	129	90
10 The Channel Islands District	50	53	34	41	57	41
11 The Chester and Stoke-on-Trent District	346	311	359	288	237	234
12 The Cornwall District	316	300	282	209	190	228
13 The Darlington District	305	288	343	224	95	162
14 The East Anglia District	351	338	319	170	126	254
15 The Isle of Man District	64	54	30	7	44	5
16 The Leeds District	364	333	322	254	228	219
17 The Lincoln and Grimsby District	311	322	283	247	140	128
18 The Liverpool District	346	344	302	280	243	231
19 The Manchester and Stockport District	433	397	443	204	223	227
20 The Newcastle upon Tyne District	440	425	423	320	218	236
21 The North Lancashire District	327	397	334	231	208	190
22 The Nottingham and Derby District	366	352	328	234	205	205
23 The Oxford and Leicester District	377	380	330	288	239	248
24 The Plymouth and Exeter District	403	445	417	209	271	208
25 The Sheffield District	382	366	347	359	327	229
26 The Southampton District	497	510	472	344	302	330
27 The West Yorkshire District	328	317	347	151	120	209
28 The Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District	362	357	398	304	306	226
29 The York and Hull District	408	401	382	147	202	154
30 The Cymru District	130	117	123	88	113	116
31 The Scotland District	142	141	146	352	48	57
32 The Shetland District	14	10	20	8	3	4
33 The North Wales District	138	153	108	79	89	99
Totals:	10046	9995	9539	7685	6419	6219

17. Membership and Christian Discipleship

THE COMMUNITY ROLL 1995 - 1998

	1995	1996	1997	1998	3 Year Gain/Loss
1 The London North-East District	57478	55503	53564	53378	-4100
2 The London North-West District	53616	52842	52682	50454	-3162
3 The London South-West District	62517	61277	59583	58890	-3627
4 The London South-East District	47840	46366	44673	42811	-5029
5 The Birmingham District	54990	54109	53058	51985	-3005
6 The Bolton and Rochdale District	28482	26870	25411	24579	-3903
7 The Bristol District	54455	56672	58017	59784	5329
8 The South Wales District	27411	26728	26095	25564	-1847
9 The Cumbria District	17608	16350	15897	15930	-1678
10 The Channel Islands District	7482	7153	6813	6190	-1292
11 The Chester and Stoke-on-Trent District	48910	46784	46508	44238	-4672
12 The Cornwall District	32727	31990	30557	28325	-4402
13 The Darlington District	41317	38801	35922	36692	-4625
14 The East Anglia District	34268	33285	32668	31267	-3001
15 The Isle of Man District	3451	3355	3468	3502	51
16 The Leeds District	43771	42179	40725	41162	-2609
17 The Lincoln and Grimsby District	32565	31300	30344	29217	-3348
18 The Liverpool District	54204	54862	53637	54114	-90
19 The Manchester and Stockport District	53348	51617	49398	47160	-6188
20 The Newcastle upon Tyne District	61207	56444	55563	52291	-8916
21 The North Lancashire District	35790	32790	33844	33069	-2721
22 The Nottingham and Derby District	41516	40105	39583	39588	-1928
23 The Oxford and Leicester District	48213	49594	48921	46646	-1567
24 The Plymouth and Exeter District	37092	36384	34650	33951	-3141
25 The Sheffield District	42903	42894	43152	41158	-1745
26 The Southampton District	48661	49264	48042	47569	-1092
27 The West Yorkshire District	40112	38542	36770	35756	-4356
28 The Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District	50306	48514	48813	48546	-1760
29 The York and Hull District	46627	45583	43819	44349	-2278
30 The Cymru District	5235	5669	5565	5712	477
31 The Scotland District	14617	11429	11714	11466	-3151
32 The Shetland District	1143	715	884	713	-430
33 The North Wales District	9614	9762	9035	8945	-669
Totals:	1239476	1205732	1179375	1155001	-84475

ATTENDANCE AT WORSHIP OCTOBER 1998

	A.M.	P.M.	Mid Wk	Princpl Service	Total Att	Tot Att 1995	Mem
1 The London North-East District	10226	2464	946	10529	13636	13481	14077
2 The London North-West District	11234	2603	321	11557	14158	14526	15114
3 The London South-West District	11880	2700	612	11939	15192	15889	17138
4 The London South-East District	8303	2074	343	8525	10720	11761	12547
5 The Birmingham District	9329	3011	727	9814	13067	13629	14607
6 The Bolton and Rochdale District	5218	1531	330	5448	7079	7113	8508
7 The Bristol District	10806	3948	657	11456	15411	15549	14622
8 The South Wales District	5561	2943	772	6661	9276	8923	9379
9 The Cumbria District	3409	1785	239	4438	5433	5679	5627
10 The Channel Islands District	1459	515	286	1550	2260	2422	2026
11 The Chester and Stoke-on-Trent District	7749	4449	693	9115	12891	13554	13029
12 The Cornwall District	7382	2939	668	8188	10989	12019	9605
13 The Darlington District	6025	2925	836	7002	9786	9939	10635
14 The East Anglia District	7621	2455	857	8227	10933	11470	9771
15 The Isle of Man District	843	406	80	1132	1329	1522	1514
16 The Leeds District	7255	2224	438	7444	9917	10597	11277
17 The Lincoln and Grimsby District	5707	2699	570	6729	8976	10177	8584
18 The Liverpool District	7141	2296	457	7313	9894	10431	11897
19 The Manchester and Stockport District	8765	2419	737	9099	11921	13092	13935
20 The Newcastle upon Tyne District	7663	4033	1025	8566	12721	13234	13364
21 The North Lancashire District	7305	2022	823	7421	10150	10361	11211
22 The Nottingham and Derby District	8531	4149	881	9622	13561	13947	12821
23 The Oxford and Leicester District	9215	3415	599	10066	13229	14168	14184
24 The Plymouth and Exeter District	9581	3558	538	10375	13677	14336	13078
25 The Sheffield District	8468	3634	723	9180	12825	13623	12173
26 The Southampton District	11626	3276	1008	11985	15910	16596	16733
27 The West Yorkshire District	7268	2452	510	7586	10230	11139	11023
28 The Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District	8401	4528	947	9585	13876	15092	14453
29 The York and Hull District	8369	3299	540	9413	12208	13555	12833
30 The Cymru District	1273	872	256	1953	2401	2598	3457
31 The Scotland District	2372	350	61	2391	2783	3551	5936
32 The Shetland District	258	127	64	317	449	534	356
33 The North Wales District	2233	796	240	2383	3269	3288	3767
Totals:	228476	82897	18784	247009	330157	347795	349279

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Children and Young People at worship	1995		1996		1998		1998	
	1995	under 13	13 - 26	Total	under 13	13 - 26	Total	Total
1 The London North-East District	3152	2925	14073	17727	12681	2953	15634	
2 The London North-West District	3539	3338	13058	16944	11455	2987	14422	
3 The London South-West District	3500	3128	14720	18153	14181	2895	17076	
4 The London South-East District	2462	2353	12018	15462	10988	2736	13124	
5 The Birmingham District	3111	2272	11860	15114	13626	2901	16527	
6 The Bolton and Rochdale District	1825	1585	5859	7364	5184	1206	6390	
7 The Bristol District	3144	2538	11670	15206	11481	2680	14171	
8 The South Wales District	2425	2152	7034	8776	5500	1374	6874	
9 The Cumbria District	956	820	3144	3988	2578	733	3311	
10 The Channel Islands District	590	513	1836	2349	1264	297	1561	
11 The Chester and Stoke-on-Trent District	2751	2465	9129	11403	7758	1941	9699	
12 The Cornwall District	2509	2053	4849	6039	4260	1118	5378	
13 The Darlington District	1992	1693	8322	10243	7873	1963	9856	
14 The East Anglia District	1930	1545	5686	7231	4929	1018	5947	
15 The Isle of Man District	381	359	559	918	495	85	580	
16 The Leeds District	2127	1787	9397	11184	8282	1970	10252	
17 The Lincoln and Grimsby District	2134	1396	5919	7315	4295	874	5169	
18 The Liverpool District	2549	2077	9626	11703	8891	2189	11080	
19 The Manchester and Stockport District	2943	2439	12789	15228	10193	2163	12356	
20 The Newcastle upon Tyne District	2847	2214	10556	12811	9591	1823	11414	
21 The North Lancashire District	2195	1877	5940	7462	5792	1565	7357	
22 The Nottingham and Derby District	3190	2390	11430	13182	9478	2253	11731	
23 The Oxford and Leicester District	2698	2230	10185	12328	9214	1965	11179	
24 The Plymouth and Exeter District	3061	2602	10071	12873	9526	2305	11831	
25 The Sheffield District	3206	2764	10071	10636	7204	1481	8685	
26 The Southampton District	2264	1941	8589	10379	8605	2142	10747	
27 The West Yorkshire District	3378	2678	10514	13560	8314	1782	10096	
28 The Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District	2615	2215	9806	12136	8314	1782	10096	
29 The York and Hull District	306	266	467	724	335	210	545	
30 The Cymru District	719	449	1336	2080	1136	397	1533	
31 The Scotland District	104	110	132	242	119	54	173	
32 The Shetland District	594	598	1239	1530	1377	334	1711	
33 The North Wales District								
Totals	74172	62470	257800	323801	232354	54764	287118	

MINISTERS, THOSE IN PASTORAL CHARGE AND LOCAL PREACHERS

Ministers	Diaconate	Supernum	Active	Lay Workers	R & R	Other	Mem per Church		LP On Trial		
							Past chg	Past chg			
1 The London North-East District	85	3	2	1	5	12	130	2.0	64	297	50
2 The London North-West District	82	4	1	7	9	14	129	2.0	63	393	50
3 The London South-West District	104	3	3	6	4	7	135	1.6	87	377	69
4 The London South-East District	71	7	1	0	8	6	139	2.1	65	306	51
5 The Birmingham District	41	3	0	2	6	4	152	2.3	66	359	46
6 The Bolton and Rochdale District	80	7	3	3	7	4	167	2.2	76	162	36
7 The Bristol District	50	2	0	4	10	6	132	2.5	52	406	66
8 The South Wales District	30	0	4	2	1	2	144	4.0	36	240	18
9 The Cumbria District	11	0	0	2	0	1	145	2.3	63	43	3
10 The Channel Islands District	61	0	1	6	4	2	176	3.3	53	347	52
11 The Chester and Stoke-on-Trent District	46	3	6	19	4	3	123	3.7	33	380	59
12 The Cornwall District	57	2	2	15	6	7	110	3.2	34	303	38
13 The Darlington District	5	1	0	2	0	0	189	4.0	33	378	50
14 The East Anglia District	61	3	1	1	3	3	157	2.2	71	271	35
15 The Isle of Man District	49	4	1	5	3	5	128	3.9	33	312	43
16 The Leeds District	59	3	0	3	12	0	155	1.8	87	228	44
17 The Lincoln and Grimsby District	73	4	0	12	4	4	144	1.9	74	308	55
18 The Liverpool District	67	3	2	2	10	2	154	2.4	63	358	42
19 The Newcastle upon Tyne District	57	1	1	2	5	1	167	2.2	77	279	25
20 The North Lancashire District	76	6	3	5	6	2	131	2.9	45	462	47
21 The North Yorkshire District	70	5	2	10	13	7	133	2.5	53	392	54
22 The Nottingham and Derby District	68	3	1	3	8	0	158	3.5	45	384	58
23 The Oxford and Leicester District	76	2	1	3	8	4	130	2.9	45	402	43
24 The Plymouth and Exeter District	87	4	9	10	10	10	129	2.1	61	461	47
25 The Sheffield District	59	4	1	3	7	4	141	2.3	61	311	41
26 The Southampton District	71	0	8	2	10	6	146	2.7	54	399	47
27 The West Yorkshire District	69	4	4	1	6	3	148	3.4	44	422	33
28 The Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District	26	1	1	5	0	6	144	6.2	23	44	5
29 The York and Hull District	4	0	0	0	3	4	175	1.6	110	92	21
30 The Cymru District	20	0	0	0	0	0	89	5.0	18	14	4
31 The Scotland District							157	2.7	58	87	11
32 The Shetland District											
33 The North Wales District											
Totals	1854	86	71	141	184	131	142	2.6	54	9474	1272

The total of those in pastoral charge has been used to calculate the two relevant columns above. As well as Ministers and Probationers (including MLAs), Diaconate, Active Supernumeraries, Lay Workers, Recognised and Regarded Ministers and Others (Authorised Ministers, Ministers without appointment and those from Overseas) are reported as taking pastoral charge.

