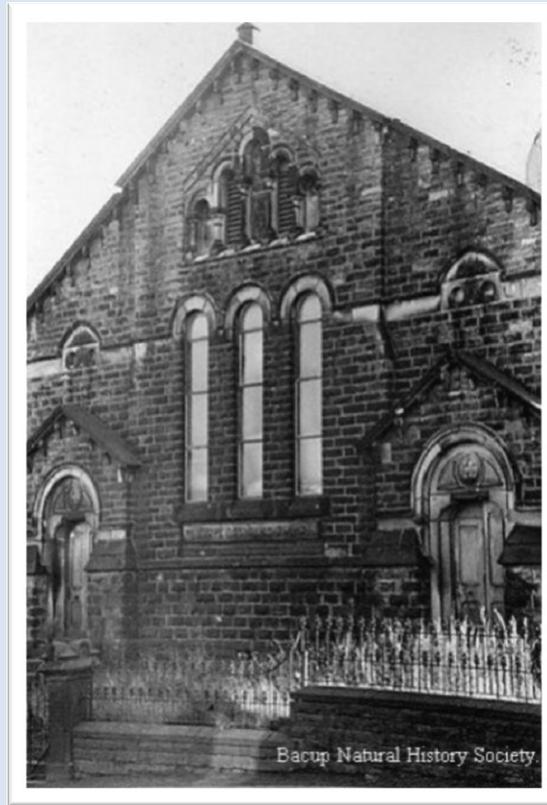


# Booth Road Primitive Chapel



Booth Road Primitive, first began in 1846 in a humble cottage at Bottoms row, with the schoolhouse on Booth Road opening in 1850 the large chapel on Booth Road being built in 1874 at a cost of £1,700 and was opened on October 29th of the same year. The cornerstone having been laid the previous March by Joshua Lord of Bankside and the late John Spencer of Crawshawbooth.

The first local preachers' name appearing in the first preachers plan at Stacksteads was that of Mr T Tomson. Trustees of the chapel committee: John Ashworth, Richard Crompton, W Greenwood, W H Bricknell, H Ashworth, Silas Rivett, J A Ingham, I Smith, G T Bricknell, John Roundell Jnr, T H Warburton, William Walkden, D Taylor, J A Greenwood, R Roundell, G Nicholas, J W Taylor, J W Belham, S Oakford, G A lick, John Varley, H Warburton. Chapel Leaders: W H Bricknell, H Ashworth, Greenwood, T Rivett, and A H Holmes.

School Superintendents: John Ashworth, and Arthur H Holmes.

Extracts from the Chapel Committee book 1865 11 August Leaders: Our societies be cautioned not to encourage any unauthorized strangers who call themselves Primitive Methodists.

20 October Leaders: This meeting is sorry to learn that John Crabtree disturbed our preaching services at Stacksteads, on the 25th Inst thus rendering himself liable to a penalty of £40.00.

This meeting is glad to find that John Crabtree had acknowledged his error and signed a paper promising never to do it again and we advise him that he become an abstainer from strong drink,

seeks forgiveness from God & attend regularly at some place of religious worship. J Crabtree is forgiven on the condition that he pays for the printing & posting of 50 bills, which bills shall be a copy of the paper he signed.

1866 19 June Chapel: As our income is deficient we in future charge for our front pews 11d and the others 9d.

1870 15 February Chapel: John Ashworth be treasurer for the building fund for new chapel. The money to be invested in the bank at Bacup. Mr Bennett and Mr J Phillips be requested to beg for the new chapel and school as early as convenient. To see Mr Munn about ground for a chapel.

1872 19 March Chapel: After Mr Munn be waited upon we advertise the old chapel for sale. We sell it not below £200 and not to be sold to the Roman Catholics.

1882 27 September Chapel: Bazaar first Thursday in Sept, we have a rocking horse and an Aunt Sally.

1889 23 July Chapel: Chapel to be painted outside we have doors put on men's urinal and females petty and ashpit. Harvest. To go where they think fit to beg and borrow anything they think necessary.

In 1982 Booth Road Primitives was struck by lightning.

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