

1940



1990

50TH ANNIVERSARY

OF

ROCKINGHAM UNITING CHURCH



Latest photograph of the church

1933

Early Meetings

Population of Rockingham in 1933 was 156 people. It is recorded that the first Sunday School and Church Meeting took place in Fisher St in the home of Mr and Mrs Morrison as early as 1932. Mr Aldis conducted Methodist services.

Rockinghams first church

1939

Land donated

The land for the Parkin St church was donated by Mr G.Grigg.

1940

Foundation Stone

In June 1940 Sir James Mitchell laid the foundation stone of the Methodist Church on the corner of Parkin and Florence Streets.

First service

In September 1940 Mr Jules Johnstone conducted the first service. Miss L. Saw played the piano.

Early photograph of Parkin St Church



1947 New manse

A new manse was built next to the church in Parkin St.

1948 Sister Edie Owens

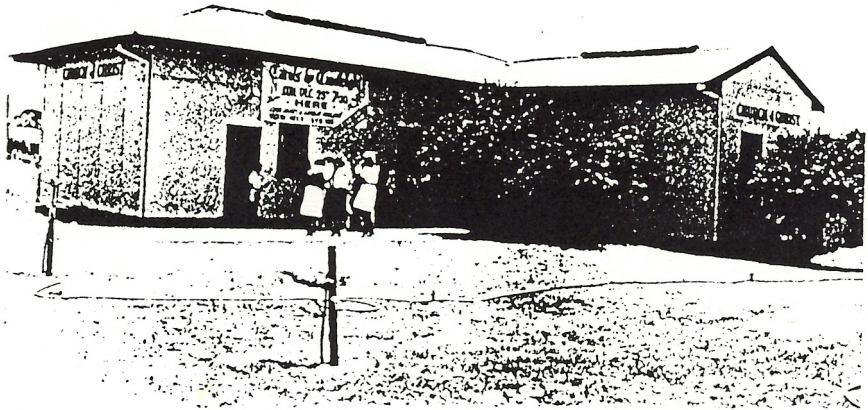
Came from Fremantle Mission because of illness, remained as minister in charge for a period.

Married Mr Ken Cordell and they served the church in most capacities until their deaths in 1978.

1954 Safety Bay Church

Land was purchased on corner of Rae Rd and Frederick St and a building from Woodmans Point was moved to the site.

1955 First service Safety Bay



Rev. R.E.Bramley conducted the first service in Safety Bay Church.

Mr and Mrs K. Cowdell



Miss L. Saw



1970 Opportunity Shop



Opportunity Shop

The Opportunity Shop commenced trading.

COMMITTEE

E. Stone
A. Lee
G. Reynolds
B. Weigold
E. Waddell
P. McKinnon
D. Earnshaw

By 1990 the Opportunity Shop has donated \$116,677 to our Church and various charities.

1977 The Uniting Church of Australia

In June 1977 Rockingham and Safety Bay were inaugurated into the Uniting Church of Australia.

First Council of Elders

The first elders were John Whaley, George Bernalick , Peter Smith, Dorothy Hawker, Mavis Cooper and Barbara Green.

1980

Mission to the 80's

The mission was held successfully at the Rockingham oval.

Student of The Word

Michael Vines was accepted as a student of the word.

1983 Intention to retire

Rev R.W.Hawker announced his intention to retire on account of ill health.

Mr and Mrs R. W. Hawker



Both churches sold

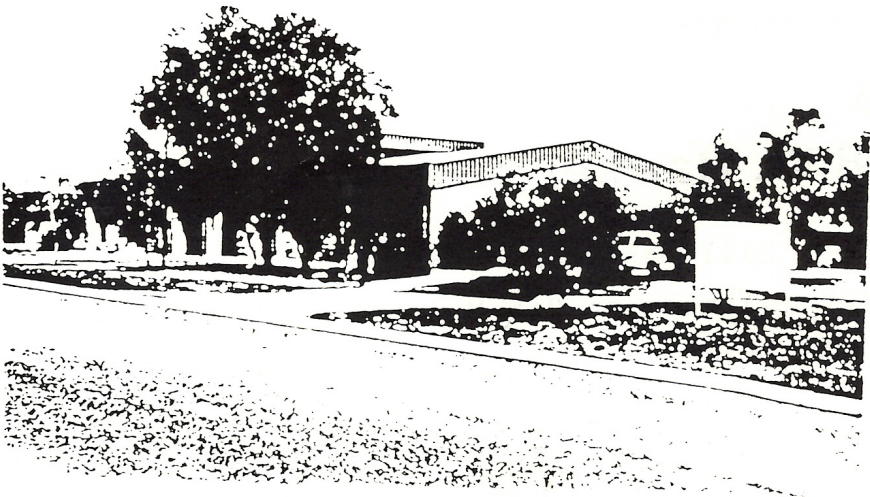
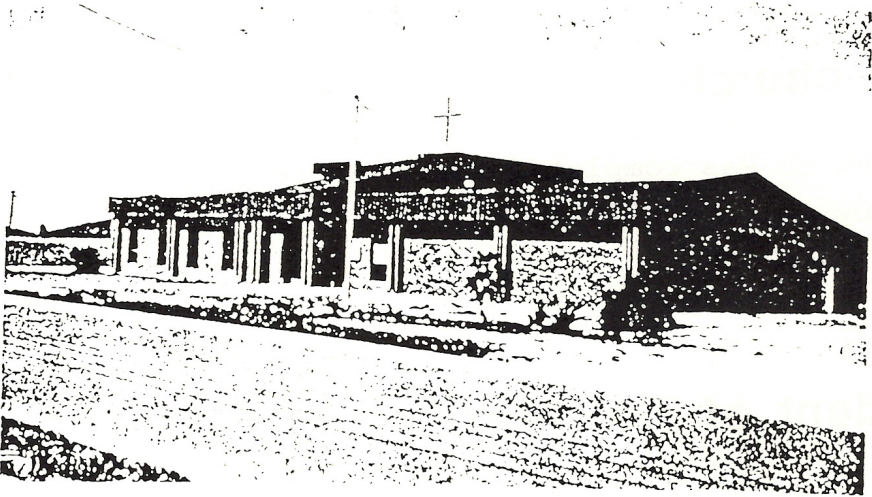
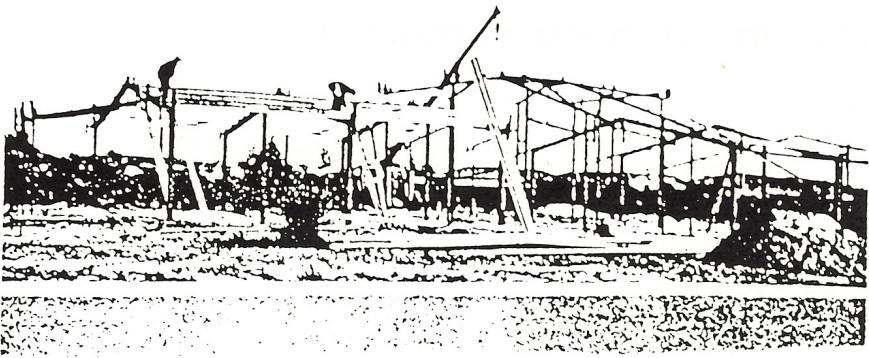
In May 1983 Parkin St was sold to the Lutherans, and Safety Bay sold to Church of Christ.

Valedictory Service

A valedictory service was held for the Rev.R.W. Hawker on the 4th December.

New Minister

The Rev.K.D Devereux answered a call to Rockingham parish, his duties to commence February 1984.



1984

Induction of new minister

An induction service on 27th January 1984
for the Rev.K.D..Devereux.

New Manse

The manse of the new church centre at Erindoon
Way was completed by April 1984.

New church

The church was completed and the first service
held by September 1984.

1985

Student of The Word

Mr John Whaley accepted for training as a
minister of The Word.

1986

Rev R.W. Hawker passed away

The Rev. Bill passed away after a long and
painful illness on 9th May 1986. He preached
his last sermon in the new church 17th March
1985.

1987

Application to become a Lay Pastor

Mr Dolf Hille's application to become a lay pastor endorsed.

Call to National Mission

Mr and Mrs Val Cantrall answered a calling to the Uniting Church National Mission at Karatha.

Mr and Mrs Cantrall



1988

Memorial Leadlight Window

Mrs Dorothy Hawker donated and unveiled a leadlight window to the Rev. Bill Hawker in the new church.

Mr and Mrs J. Whaley



Bible studies commenced

Kerygma The Bible in Depth - studies commenced.

1989

Rev. K. Devereux called to Collie

The Rev.K.D.Devereux took up duties in the Collie Parish.



Minister called to Rockingham

A call has been issued to Rev'd Ian McPherson and has been accepted. He will commence duties in March 1991.

1990 Interim Ministers

The Rev. Ken Ogier and the Rev. Harold Cox, both retired ministers of The Word kindly act as interim ministers.

Rev. H. Cox



Rev. K. Ogier



MINISTERS AND HOME MISSIONARIES

ROCKINGHAM

1940-1943	J. JOHNSTON	H.M.
1944	F. SAMPSON	REV.
1945	S. LAWRENCE	H.M.
1945-1946	A. WILBREY	REV.
1946-1947	A. HAWKINS	H.M.
1947-1948	A.R. WILBREY	REV.
1948	H. LINDLEY	H.M.
1949	G.E. JONES	REV.
1950	F.E. JAMES	REV.
1951-1952	T. COOK	REV.
1953-1956	R.E. BRAMLEY	REV.
1957-1960	D.W. PEDERICK	REV.
1961	N. HICKS	REV.
1962-1963	S.W. CROKER	REV.
1964-1966	E. GREEN	H.M.
1967-1968	H. WILLIS	H.M.
1969	P. DALEY	H.M.
1970-1972	G.R. LIMB	REV.
1973-1984	R.W. HAWKER	REV.
1984-1990	K.D. DEVEREUX	REV.
1990	K. OGIER	REV.
1990	H.J. COX	REV.
1953-1971	M. MALEY (SUPERNUMERARY)	REV.

MEMBERS WHO HAVE SERVED THIS PARISH AS
ELDERS

MRS D. HAWKER

MRS B. GREEN

MRS M. COOPER

MRS P. THOMAS

MRS N. RUTHERFORD

MRS B. THOMPSON

MRS P. HARWOOD

MRS M. FAUSER

MRS L. WHALEY

MRS D. COWDELL

MRS S. WHALEY

MRS K. DEVEREUX

MRS E. JACKSON

MISS K. OATES

MRS M. HEYNES

MR J. WHALEY

MR G. BENNALICK

MR P. SMITH

MR D. SMALL

MR N. MILLER

MR J. PASCOE

MR R. PULLEY

MR M. VINES

MR A. CROTHERS

MR I. WELLS

MR D. HILLE

MR D. LANCASTER

MR M. JACKSON

MR J. DONE

MR G. HAMMOND

MR O. DAVIS

MR R. STEWART