

Methodist Church of New Zealand Archives Auckland District Baptism Registers

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The Methodist Church of New Zealand Archives is the approved repository for Methodist baptism registers once completed by parishes. They are part of the parish and church records held.

Registers can date from the first Wesleyan missionaries time in New Zealand during the 1830s, through to the present day.

They include all branches of Methodism in New Zealand: Primitive Methodist, Wesleyan, United Free Methodist, and Bible Christian.

Some registers, particularly those still in use, are held by parishes. Details of how to contact parishes are on the Methodist Church website www.methodist.org.nz

In the case of union or combined parishes, registers containing Methodist baptisms may be held by other repositories such as the Presbyterian Archives and Anglican Archives.

The format of baptism registers varied over the years. Early registers often only contained the name of the person being baptised, the date of baptism, the district they lived in and the name of the minister performing the baptism.

Later on, when standard baptism registers were printed and distributed by the Methodist Church, more information was added, such as birth date, names of parents, their address and the parish or circuit in which the baptism was taking place.

This information varies from register to register – the most basic register is a notebook ruled with lines and often these registers carried on being used until they were full.

In most cases, there is no name index to baptism registers, and to find information, requires reading carefully through registers.

While access to registers held at the Methodist Archives in Christchurch is free, a research fee is charged if researchers are unable to visit in person and Archives staff are requested to search through registers on their behalf. Fees and charges are outlined on our website, along with our opening hours and contact details. See www.methodist.org.nz

Please note that most of these registers are fragile and require careful supervised handling. To ensure their long term preservation, we do not photocopy from baptism registers. A verified transcript of an entry can be provided for a fee.

This list is arranged in code number order, which is loosely geographic. These numbers uniquely identify each Church. A catalogue number, also uniquely identifies each register.

Auckland District Baptism Registers – other holdings

Auckland District baptism registers are also held by the Auckland office of the Methodist Church of New Zealand Archives.

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Name	Date	Description	Quantity	Catalogue number	Code numbers	Notes
Auckland District	1848-1914	Baptism register originally used by Rev William Kirk, Te Arero - Auckland, 1848-1852, 1884, 1904-1914	1 volume	B9	2000	Photocopy held in Auckland Archives. Handwritten transcription made. See also B301 for Auckland District baptisms
Auckland District	1889-1909	Baptism register, Auckland Primitive Methodist Church District (Auckland I). Includes Dominion Road Church, Mt Roskill Church, Swanson Church 1898, North Shore Church 1898, Great Barrier Church 1900, Mangonui Church 1902	1 volume	B10	2000	Handwritten transcription made
Auckland District	1894-1918	Baptism register, Auckland Primitive Methodist Church District (Auckland II). Includes Alexander Street Primitive Methodist Church, Dominion Road Church, Eden Terrace Church	1 volume	B15	2000	Handwritten transcription made
Auckland District	1907-1942	Baptism register, Auckland Primitive Methodist District (Auckland III), 1907-1914, 1937-1942. Includes Eden Terrace Primitive Methodist Church	1 volume	B16	2000	Handwritten transcription made

Auckland District	1874-1896	Baptism register, Auckland United Free Methodist Church District, the dwelling house of Rev George Henry Turner. Includes baptisms in Thames 1877, 1887, Napier 1877, Wellington 1885	1 volume	B17	2000	Handwritten transcription made
Auckland Central Parish	1900-1927	Baptism register, Mt Eden Church, Kingsland Church, Arch Hill Church. Includes baptisms at Grey Lynn 1922, Western Springs 1922, Onehunga 1925	1 volume	B19	2010	Handwritten transcription made
Pitt Street Church	1844-1974	Baptism register, Pitt Street Church	6 fiche	B298 MF73	2011	Fiche 1 includes index. Photocopy of index available. Index also held at Auckland Public Library. Location of original register not known
Balmoral Roskill Parish	1951-1970	Baptism Register, Trinity Church, Auckland South Circuit	1 volume	B23	2030	Includes Dominion Road Church, Trinity Church. Handwritten transcription made. Now called Wesley Roskill Parish
Sandringham Church	1929-1963	Baptism register, Sandringham Church	1 volume	B22	2030-1	Entries 1-43 transferred from Mt. Roskill Register. From 1951 becomes the register of Rev W Parker, Sandringham. Handwritten transcription made. Previously called Balmoral Roskill Parish
Mt Roskill Church	1925-1967	Baptism register, Mt Roskill Church	1 volume	B21	2030-4	Handwritten transcription made
Auckland East Parish	1952-1956	Baptism register, Auckland East Parish, Newmarket Church and Mt Eden Church	1 volume	B24	2040	Includes Newmarket Church and Mt. Eden Church. No transcripts
Point Chevalier Church	1946-1971	Baptism register, Auckland West Methodist Circuit, Point Chevalier Church.	1 volume	B20	2090-1	Handwritten transcription made

Arch Hill Church	1883-1910	Baptism register, Arch Hill Church. Includes baptisms and marriages extracted from the Trust Account and Collection Book, Pitt Street Church	1 volume	B18	2120-1	No transcripts. Original held in Auckland Methodist Archives
Devonport Parish	1879-1910	Baptism register, North Shore Circuit including Devonport Parish	1 volume	B30	2130	Handwritten transcription made.
Onehunga Co-op Parish and Manukau District	1849-1905	Baptism register, Onehunga and Manukau Circuit, Ihu Matao Circuit	1 volume	B25	2380, 2400	Handwritten transcription made. Publication <i>The Baptismal Register of the Ihu Matao Wesleyan Mission Station 1849-54 and the Manukau Wesleyan Circuit 1855-69</i> . Previously called Onehunga Manakau Circuit
Waiuku and District Combined Churches	1867-1905	Baptism register, Waiuku Circuit	1 volume	B31	2460	Photocopy made for Auckland Archives. Handwritten transcription made. Previously called Franklin West Co-operating Parish. Manukau Circuit until 1875, Franklin Circuit 1875-1891
Te Taha Maori	1839-1982	Baptism register Tai Tokerau (Northland) including Paparoa, Northland, Mangungu, Kaipara, Tuakau, Hokianga and South Hokianga Circuits	13 fiche	B300 MF75	2500, 1000	Fiche numbers 1510/001 to 1510/0012. Original registers held Te Taha Maori, Auckland. Includes some European baptisms
Te Taha Maori	1939-1988	Baptism register Tamaki Circuit (Auckland). Includes North Auckland, Auckland, King Country and Tamaki Circuits	3 fiche	B301 MF76	2500, 2000	Fiche number 2510/001 to 12510/003. Original registers held Te Taha Maori, Auckland

Te Taha Maori	1897-1981	Baptism register Waikato District. Includes Ngaruawahia, Hamilton, King Country, Raglan, Waikato, Putaruru, Auckland and Tuakau Circuits	10 fiche	B302 MF77	2500, 3000	Fiche number 3510/001 to 3510/010. Original registers held Te Taha Maori, Auckland
Te Taha Maori	1834-1913	Baptism register Rohe Potae District. Includes Kawhia, Waikato, Rohe Potae, Kopu Home Mission Station, Otorohanga, Mangapoto, King Country and Pureora Circuits	7 fiche	B303 MF78	2500, 3000	Fiche number 3520/001-3520/007. Original registers held Te Taha Maori, Auckland
Te Taha Maori	1844-1973	Baptism register Waimarino (Taranaki) District. Includes Wanganui, Rangitika, Waimarino, Waipapa, Raetihi, Waikato, Pukekoe, Kaikohe, Kopua Home Mission Station Circuits	5 fiche	B304 MF79	2500, 4000	Fiche number 4510/001 to 4510/005. Original registers held Te Taha Maori, Auckland
Te Taha Maori	1852-1855	Baptism register for Canterbury including Christchurch, Kaiapoi, Rapaki, Akaroa, Lyttelton, Kaikoura and Pigeon Bay. Includes marriages 1853	1 fiche	B305 MF80	2500, 8000	Photocopy and transcript available. Original registers held Te Taha Maori, Auckland
Trinity College	1917-1962	Baptism register, Trinity College Chapel	1 volume	B313	2820	